



Modelling Information Age Warfare:

Remaining Challenges

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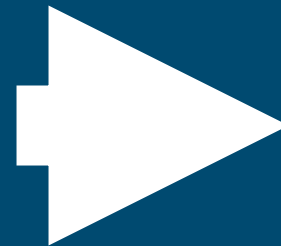
***Challenge 1 - quantifying
the benefit of good
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Research Agenda

Develop metamodels of understanding of behaviour



Baseline enabling capability to represent Command in aggregate fast running models



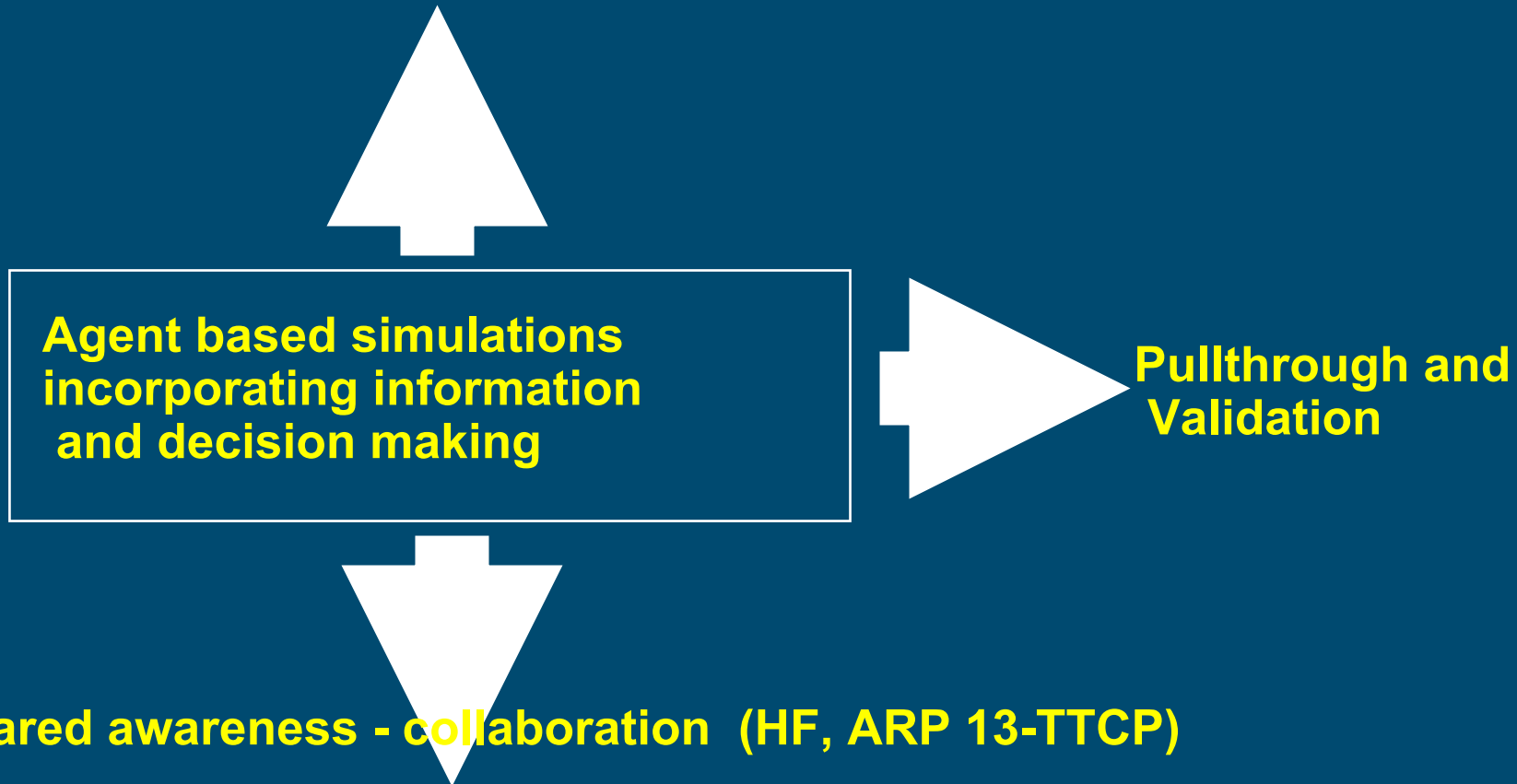
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Network Enabled Capability (NEC) Implications

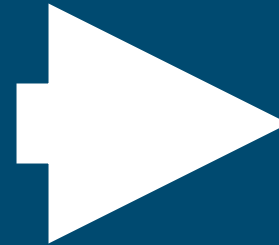
Analytic Models for Future loosely coupled structures (e.g NEC)



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of behaviour**



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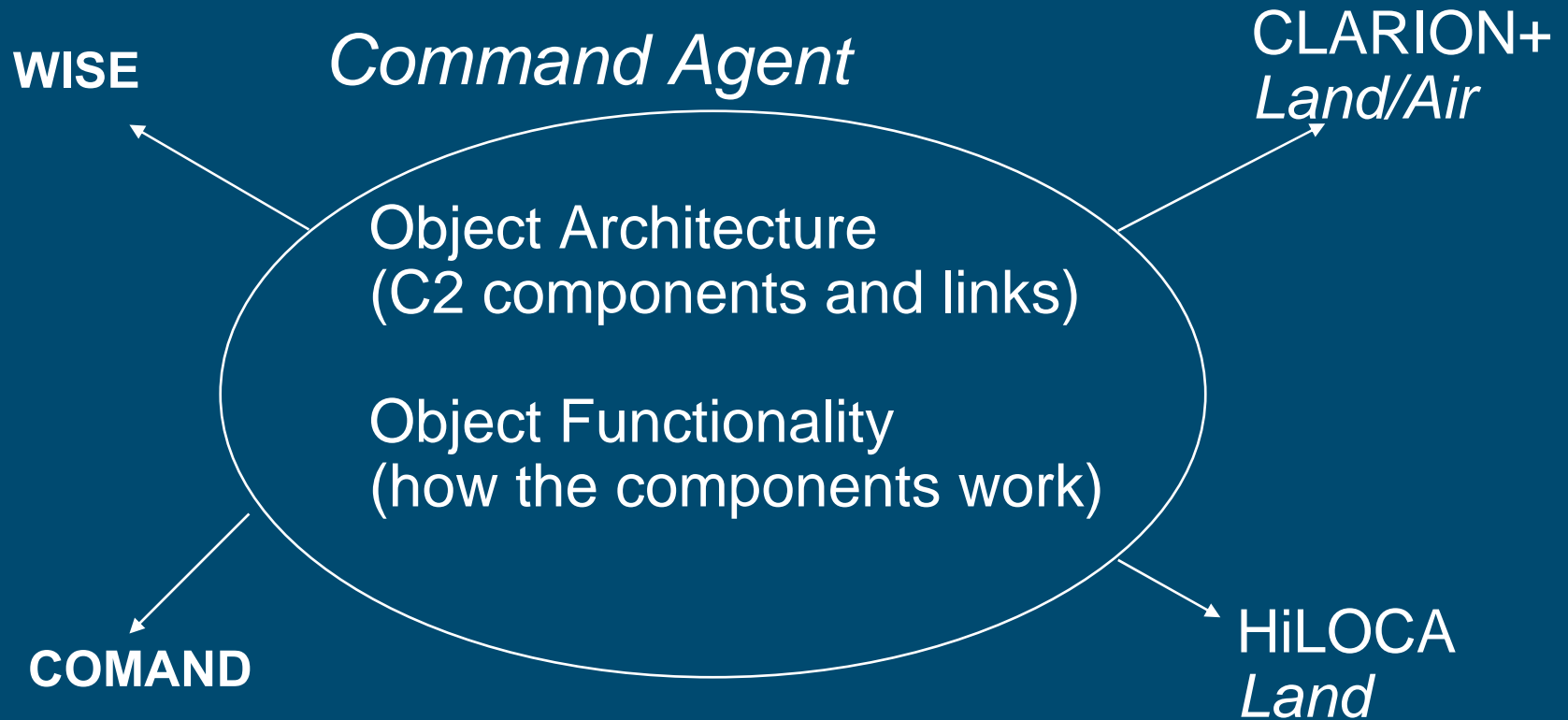
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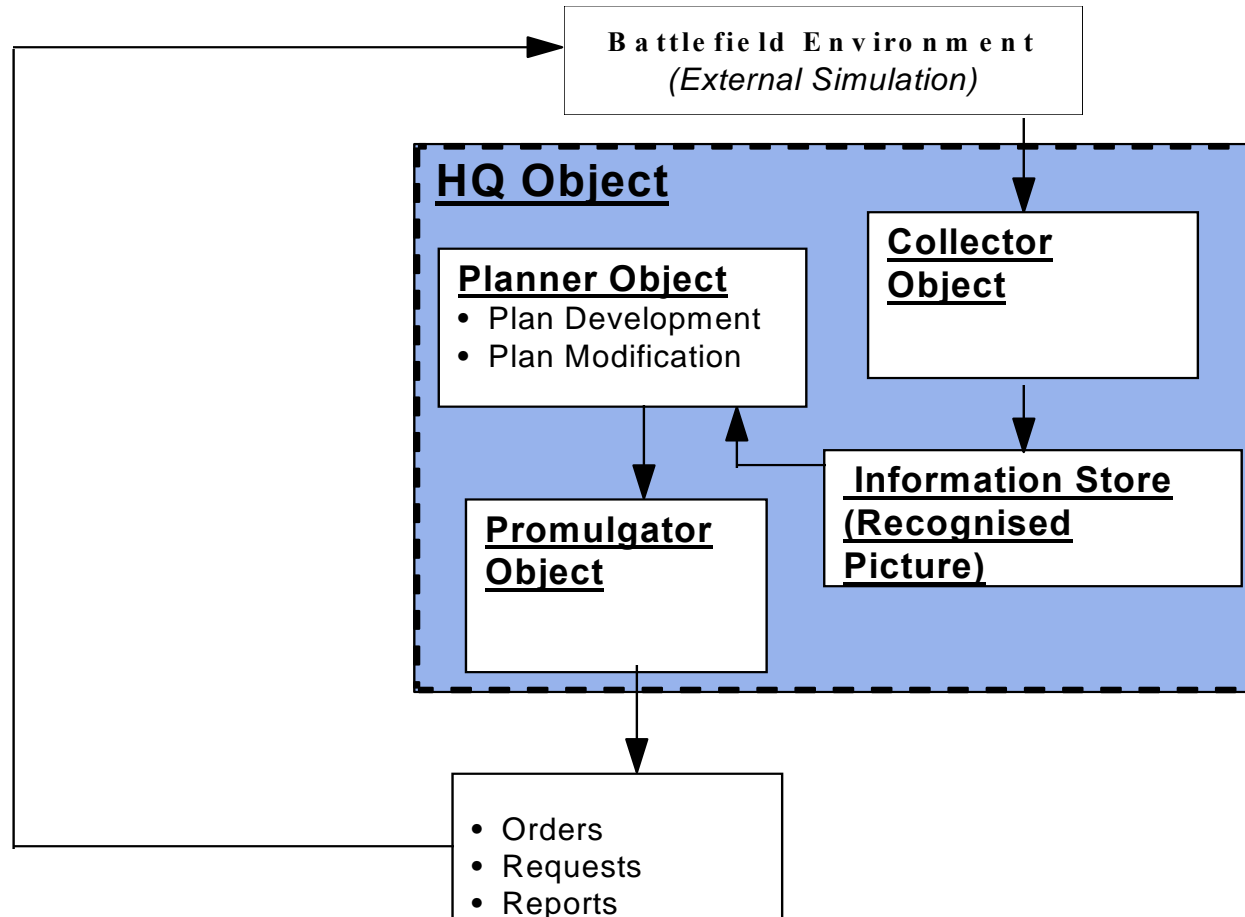


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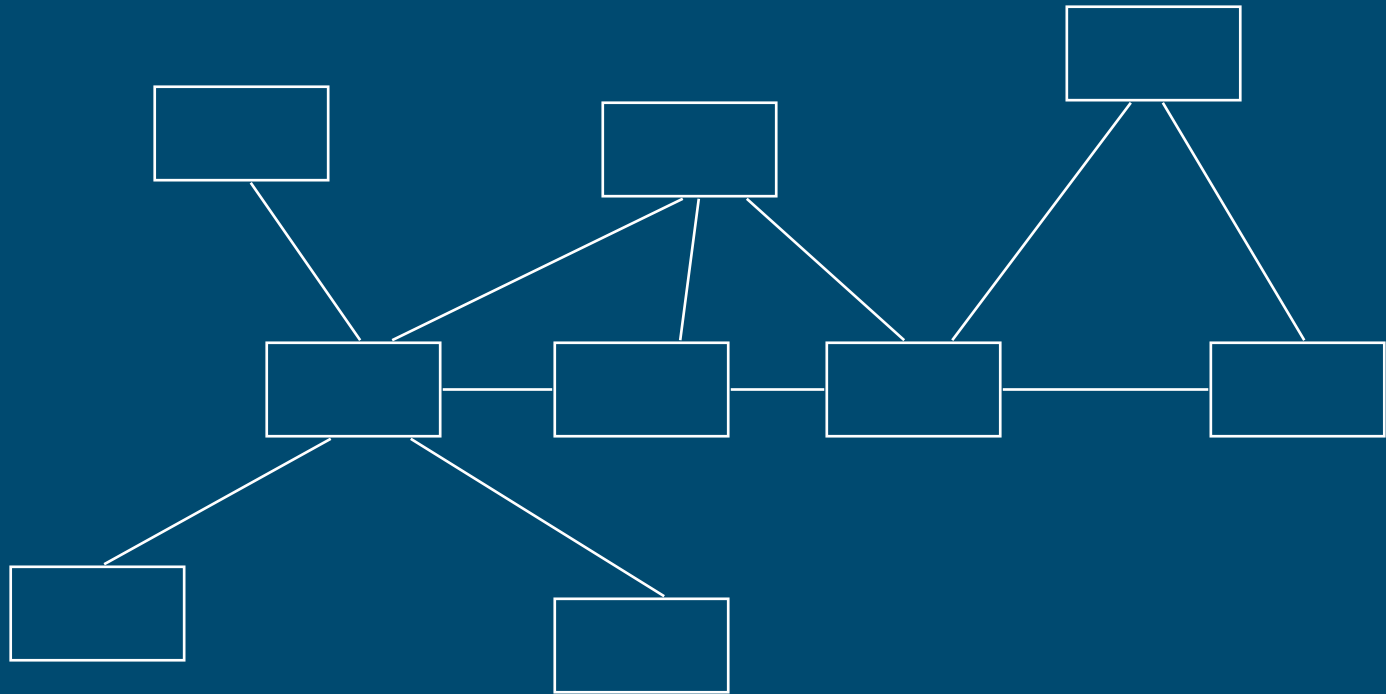
- evolutionary development
- frequent progress demonstrations
- model components complete (holistic)
- **agile, very fast running models**



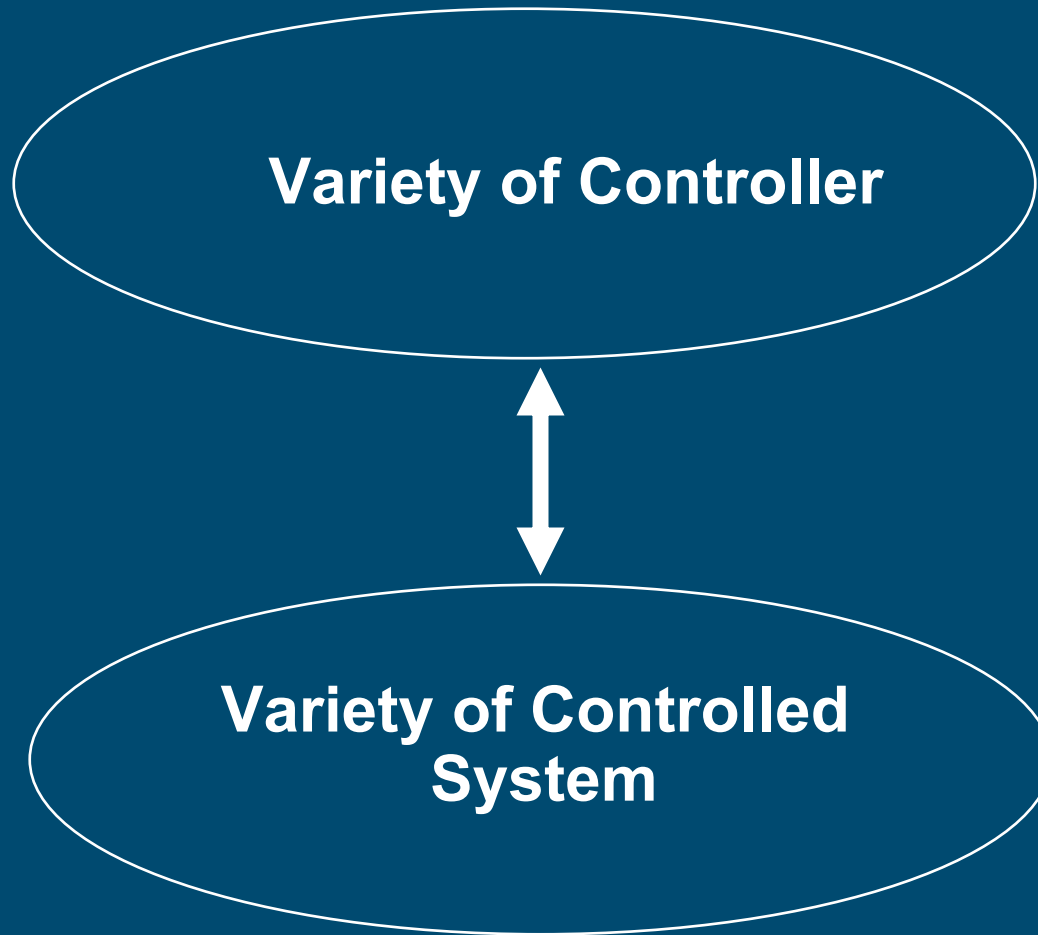
Command Agent



C2 is a network of Generic HQs/Command Agents



Ashby's Law of Requisite Variety



Possible C2 'Styles' (Alberts and Hayes)

- Order Specific
 - Soviet Union
 - Chinese army
- Objective specific
 - UK/US
- Mission specific
 - WW2 Germany
 - Israeli army

Top Down



Bottom up

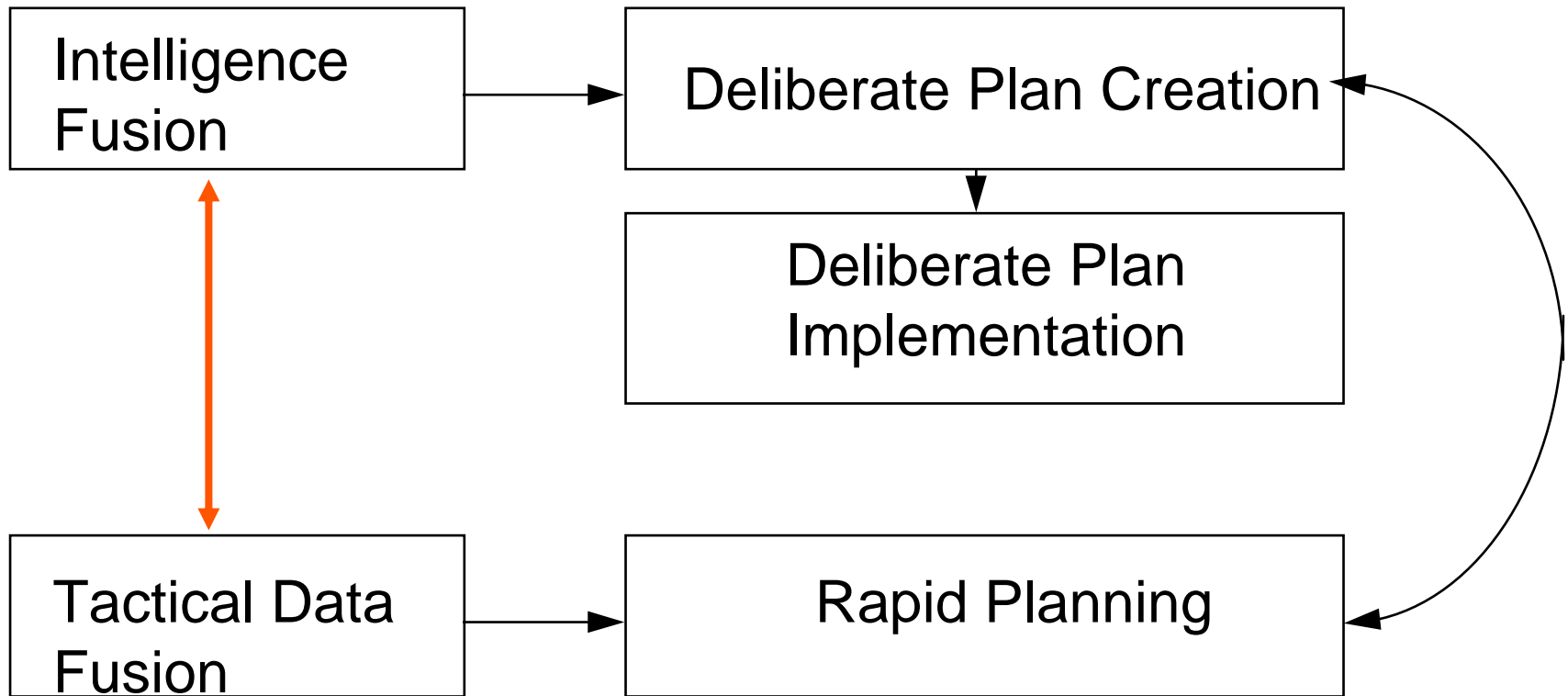
Deliberate Planning 'High Command'

top down planning (Formal Estimate)



Rapid Planning 'Battle Command' *(Combat Estimate)*

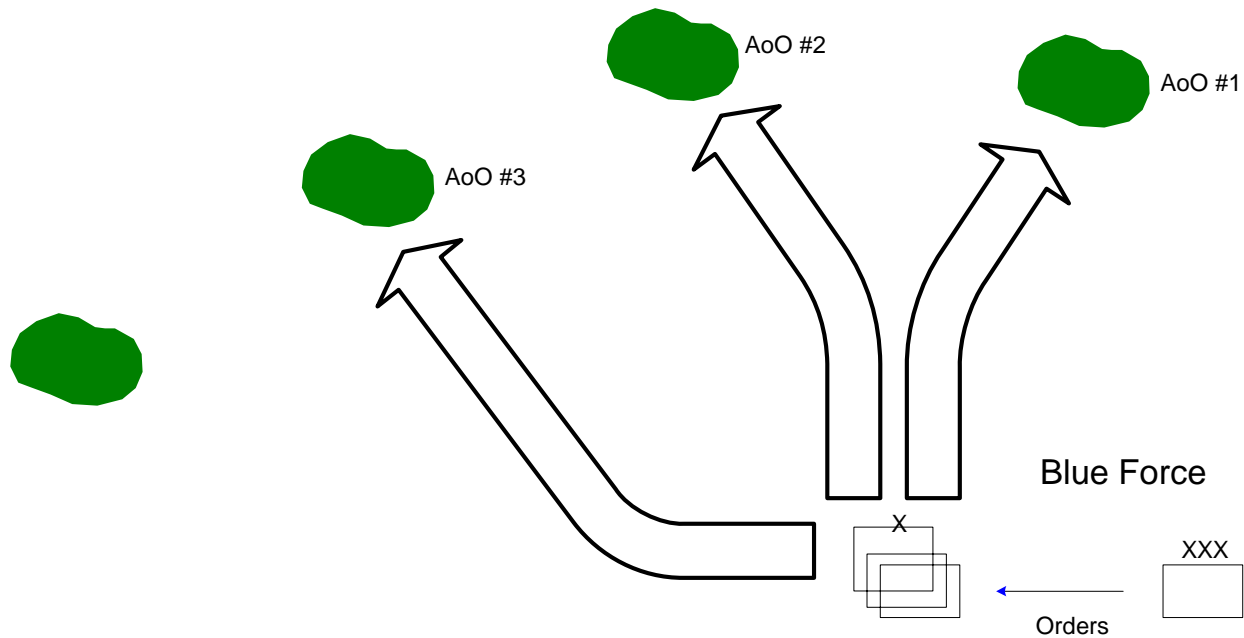
creates cybernetic variety/complexity

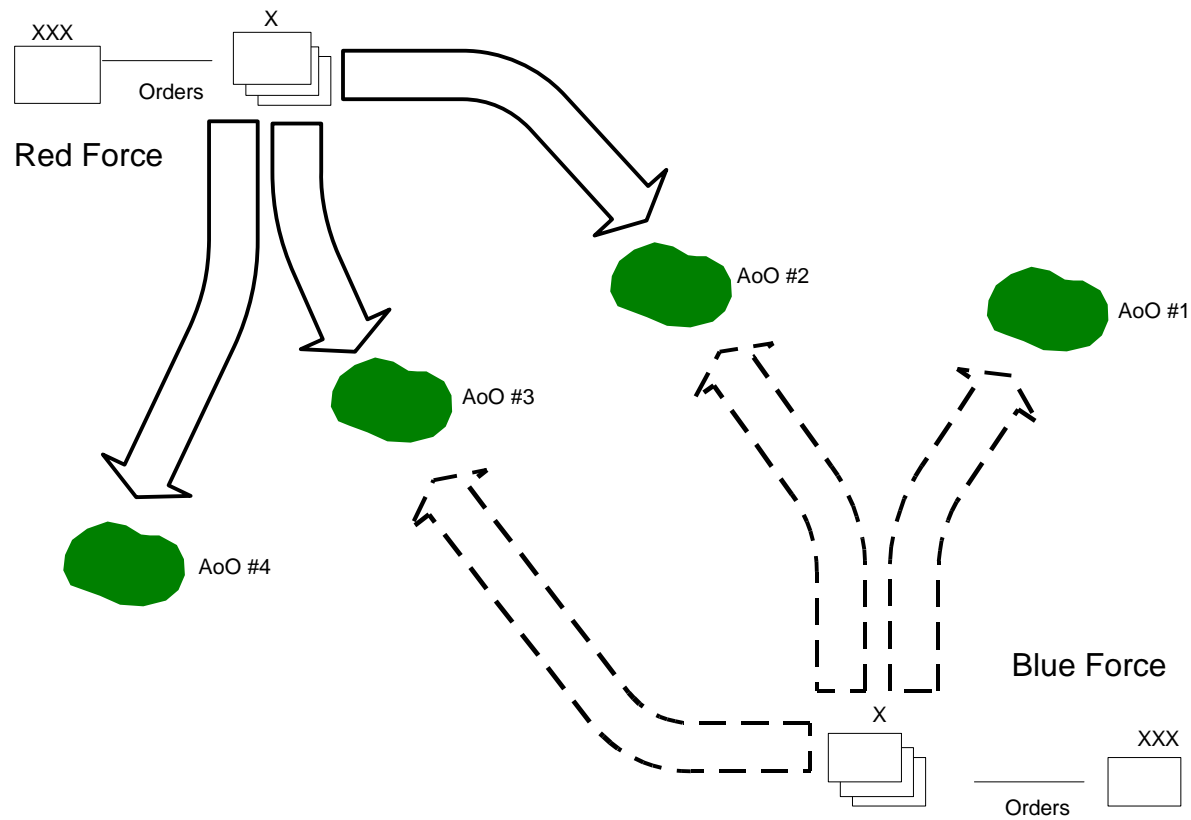


Deliberate Planning

- New scenarios currently require extensive wargame analysis to represent this level of C2
- The aim is to let the model
 - create the overall plan
 - lay out the forces
 - prosecute the plan automatically

IPB Process/ Mobility Corridors/Objectives





‘Wargaming’ of Options

	E_1	E_2	...	E_N
O_1	P_{11}	P_{12}	...	P_{1N}
O_2	P_{21}	P_{22}	...	P_{2N}
:	:	:	:	:
O_M	P_{M1}	P_{M2}	...	P_{MN}

- Allows representation of both **Bold** and **Cautious** command

Innovative Deliberate Planning - Genetic Algorithm

Mutation and Cross Matching



The diagram features a large white oval on a dark blue background. Inside the oval, the text 'Genetic Pool of Solutions' is written in white. Two white arrows point towards the oval: one from the top-left text 'Mutation and Cross Matching' and another from the bottom-left text 'Fitness Function (Historical Analysis)'.

Genetic Pool of Solutions

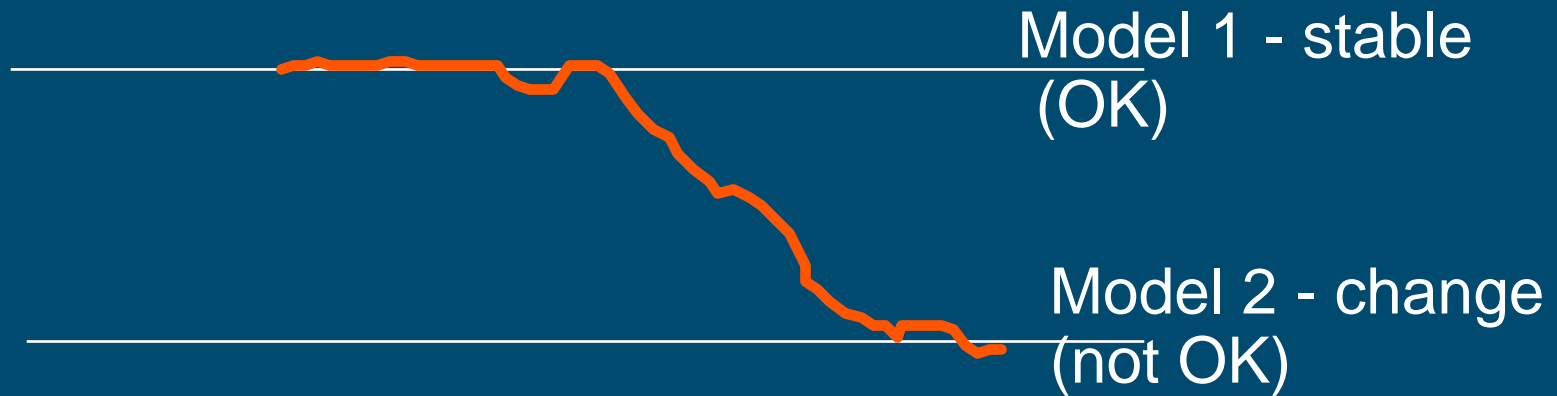
Fitness Function
(Historical Analysis)

Rapid Planning (Combat Estimate)

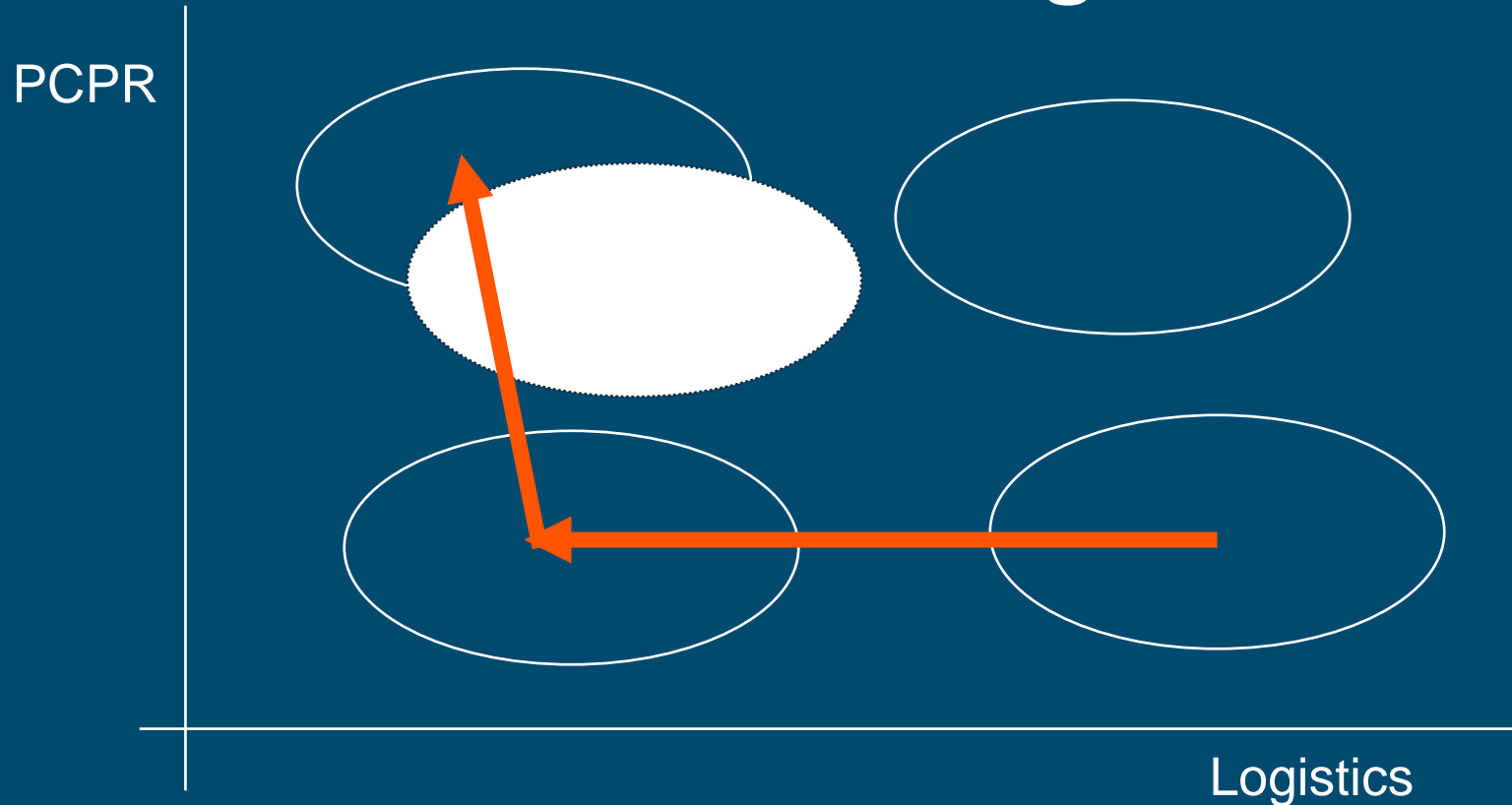
some key human features

- Mission based
- Effect of stress
- Based on own perception and local circumstance
- Intuitive in nature
- Desired mission might be a 'fuzzy' construct

Dynamic Linear Model- *Story Telling - have things changed?*



Situation Assessment- Klein Pattern Matching/RPDM



Key Dstl models entering study programme

COMAND

joint campaign level
warfighting

DIAMOND

joint campaign level
peacekeeping

WISE

Land formation level game/simulation
warfighting/peacekeeping

All these models are C2 centred, based on our approach to C2 representation

COMAND ← Rapid Planning
← Deliberate Planning
(Campaign State Vector)

DIAMOND ← Rapid Planning and agent structure

WISE ← Rapid Planning
← Deliberate Planning
(genetic algorithm)

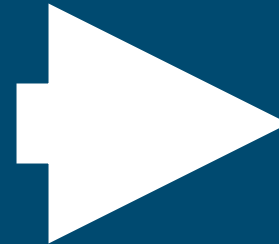
CLASS/SIMBRIG/SIMBAT ← Rapid Planning

Validation

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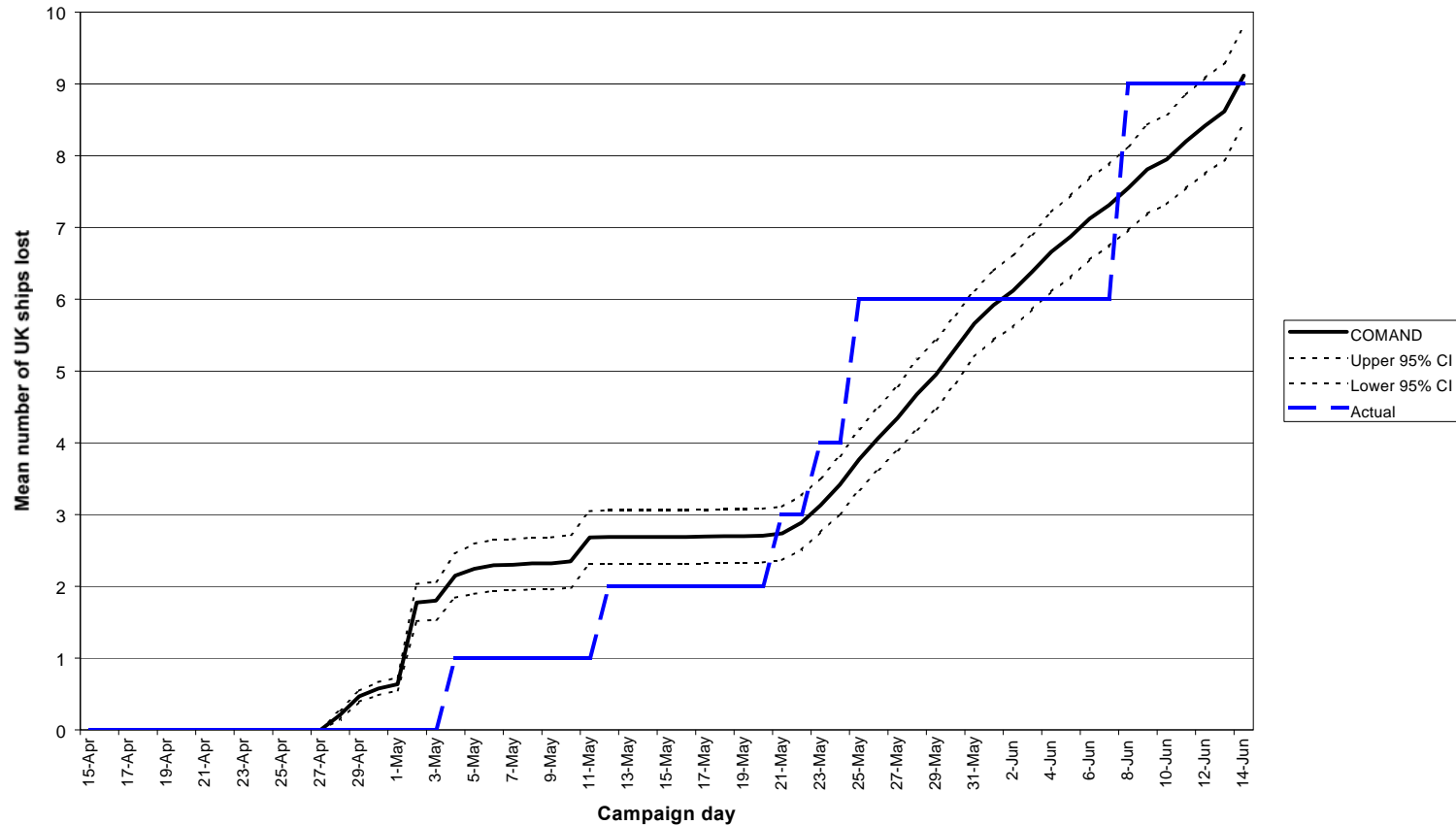


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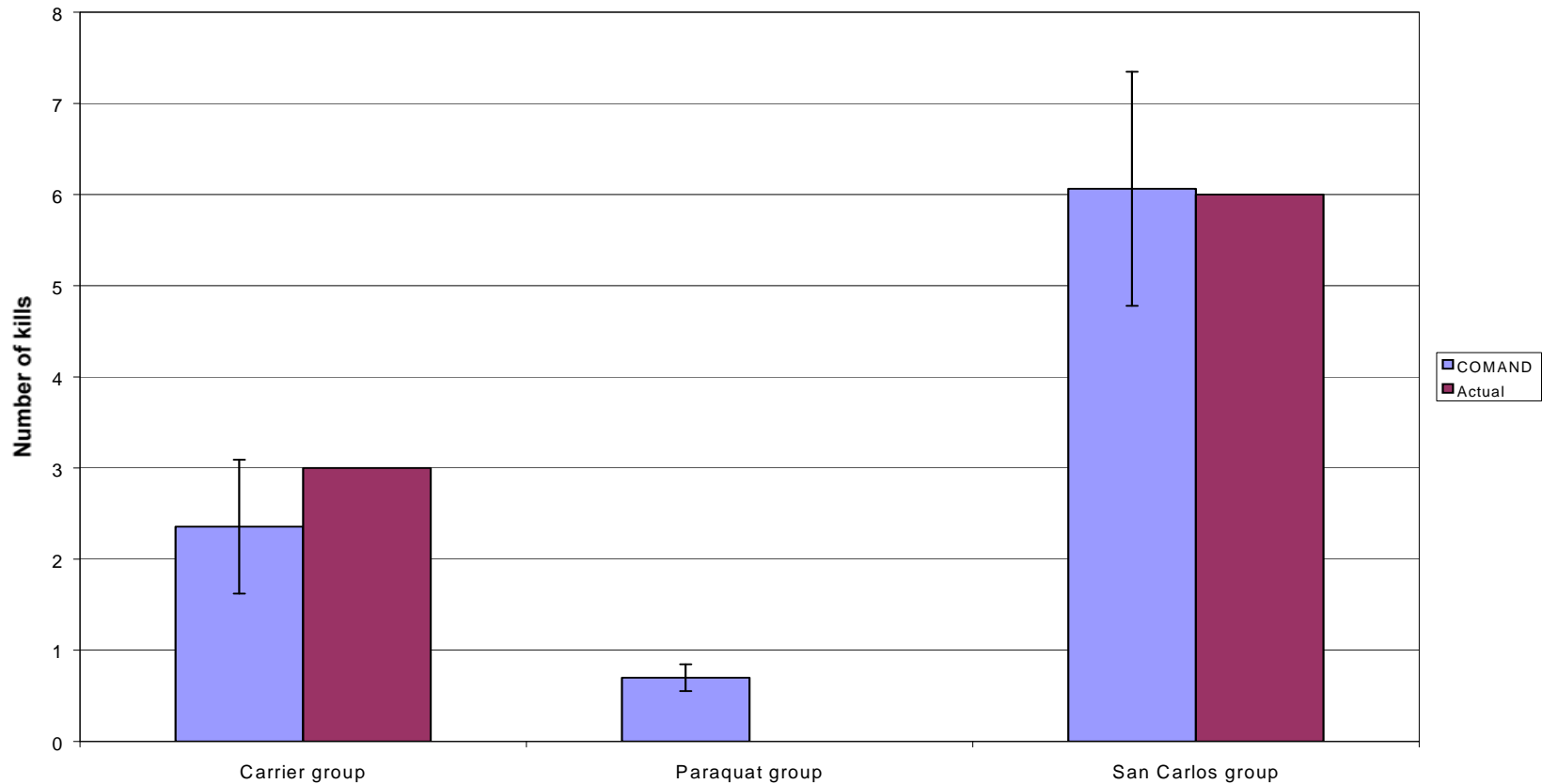
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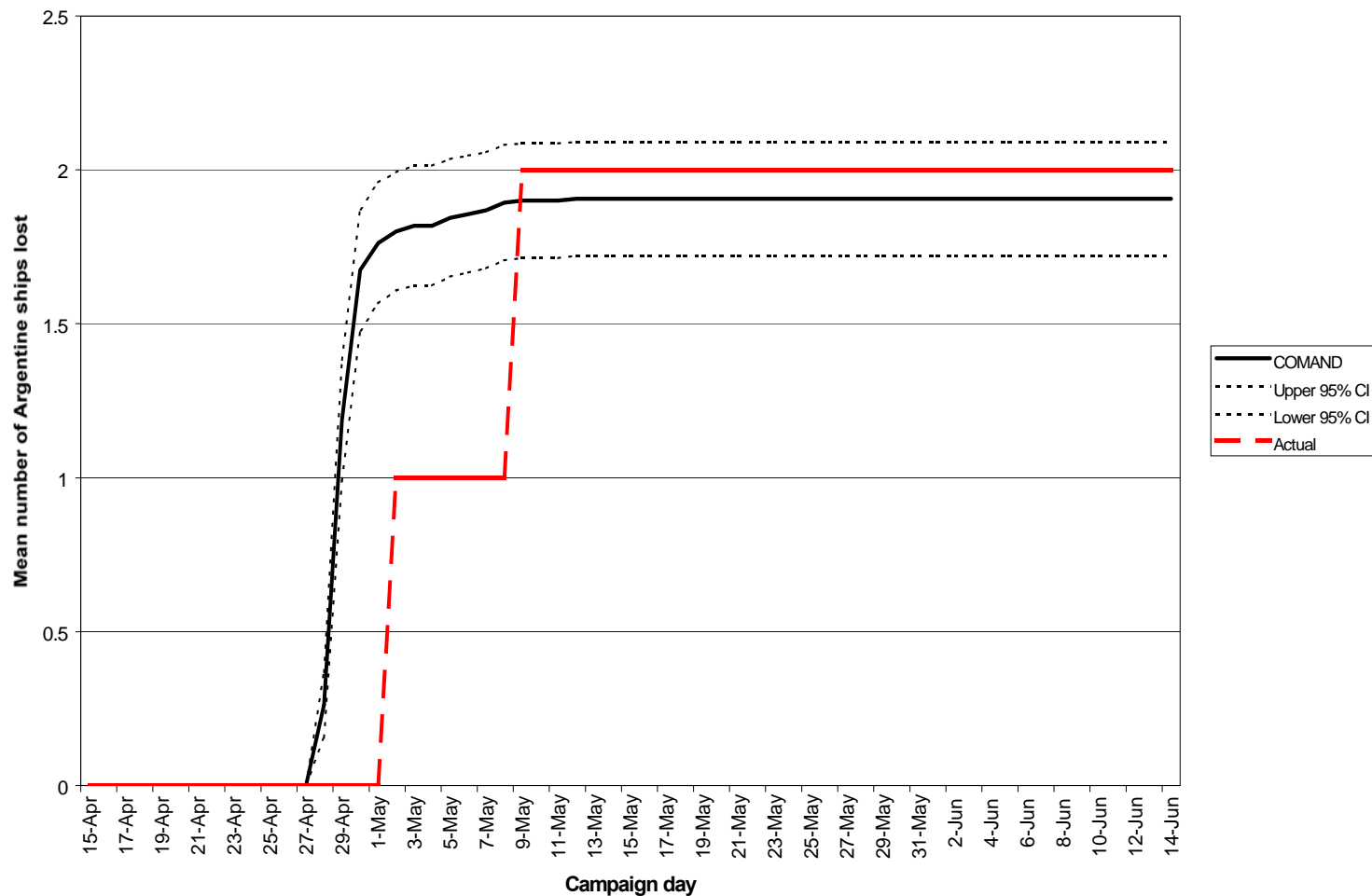
Validation in COMAND - UK ships lost over time



UK losses by type



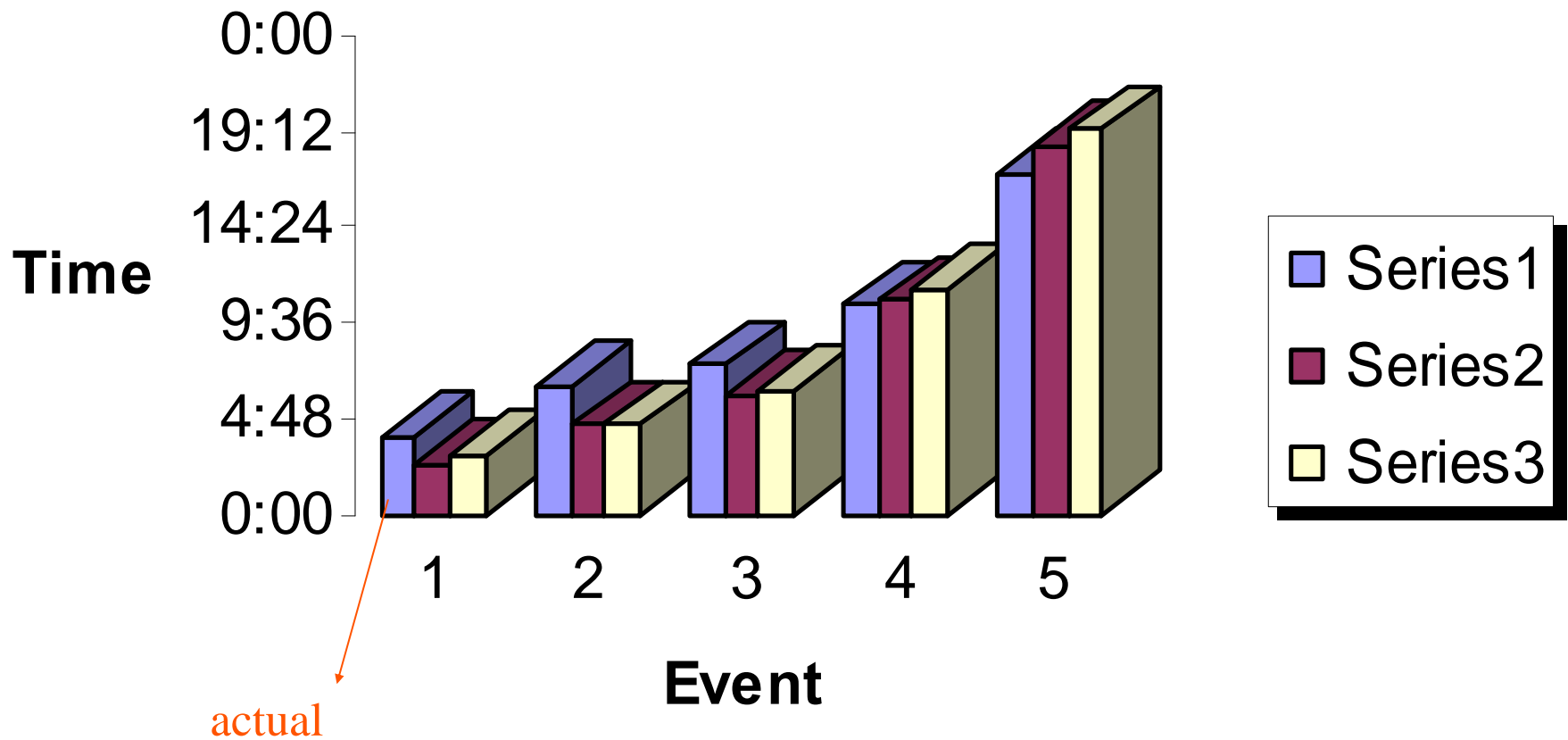
Argentinian ship losses



Validation of SIMBAT

- Battle of Goose Green 1982
- Operation Epsom 1944
- Brigade level operations 1944-45
- Comparison with CAEN
- Comparison with BATUS trials

Goose Green Battle Dynamics



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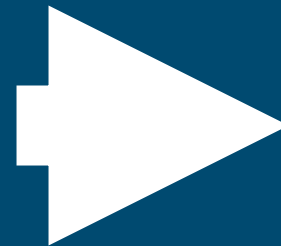
***Challenge 2 -
understanding emergent
behaviour***

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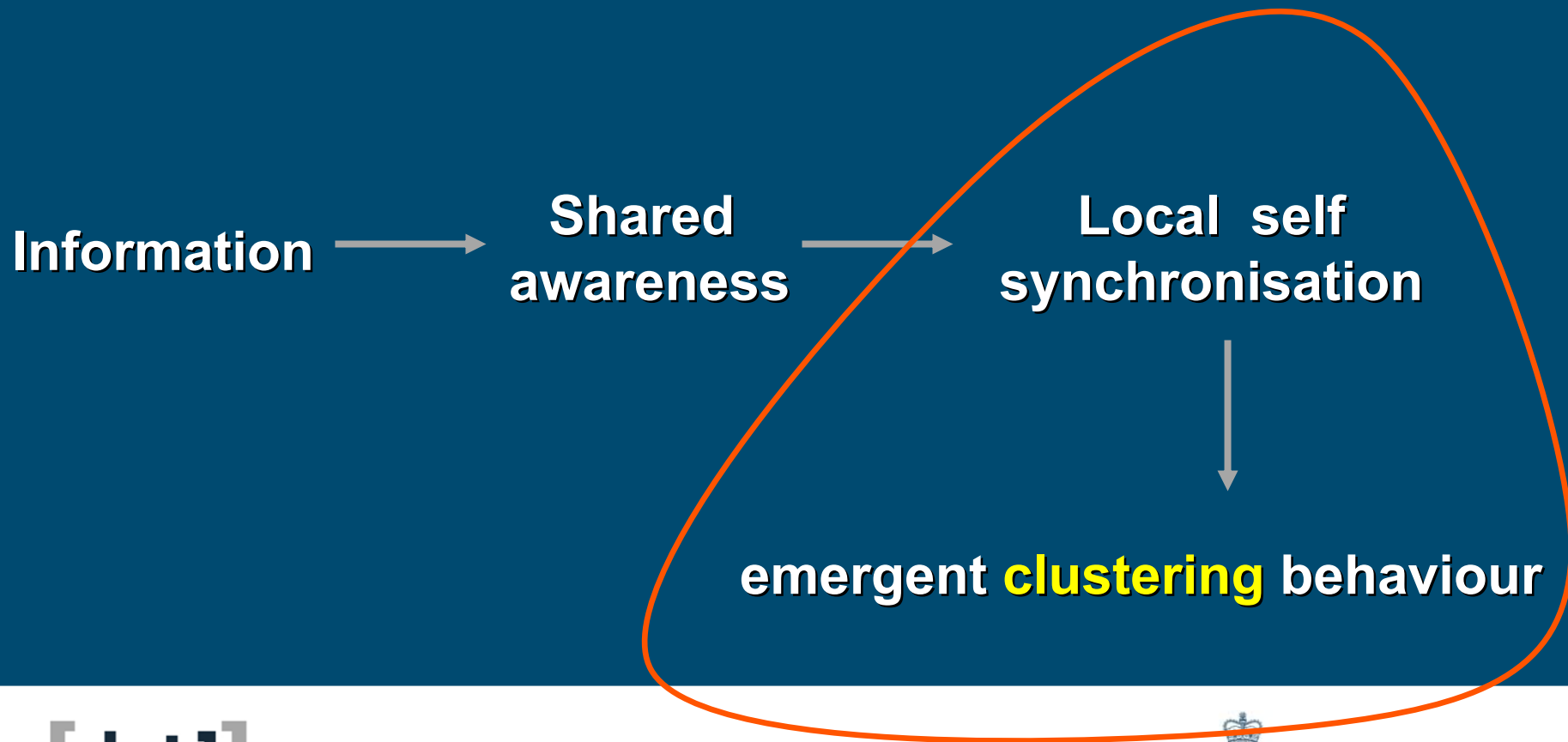


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network enabled warfare/Information age warfare

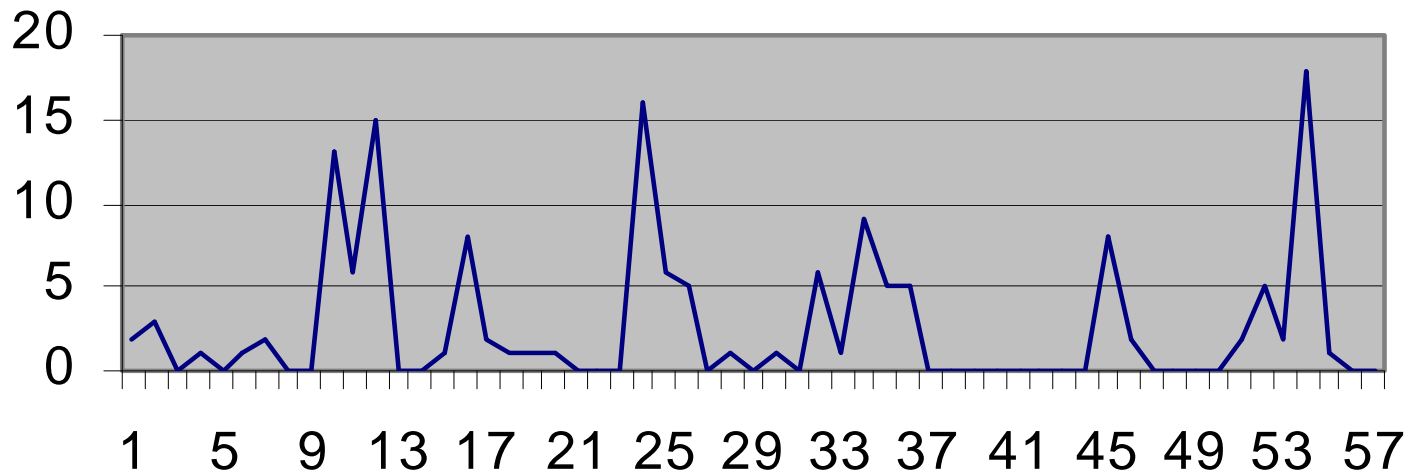


Roberts and Turcotte data

- Real forest fires (4 data sets 4284, 120, 164, 298)
power law with slope 1.3-1.5
- Real wars (2 data sets: 119, 1495 - 1973; 118, 1816 - 1980) power law with slope 1.3-1.4

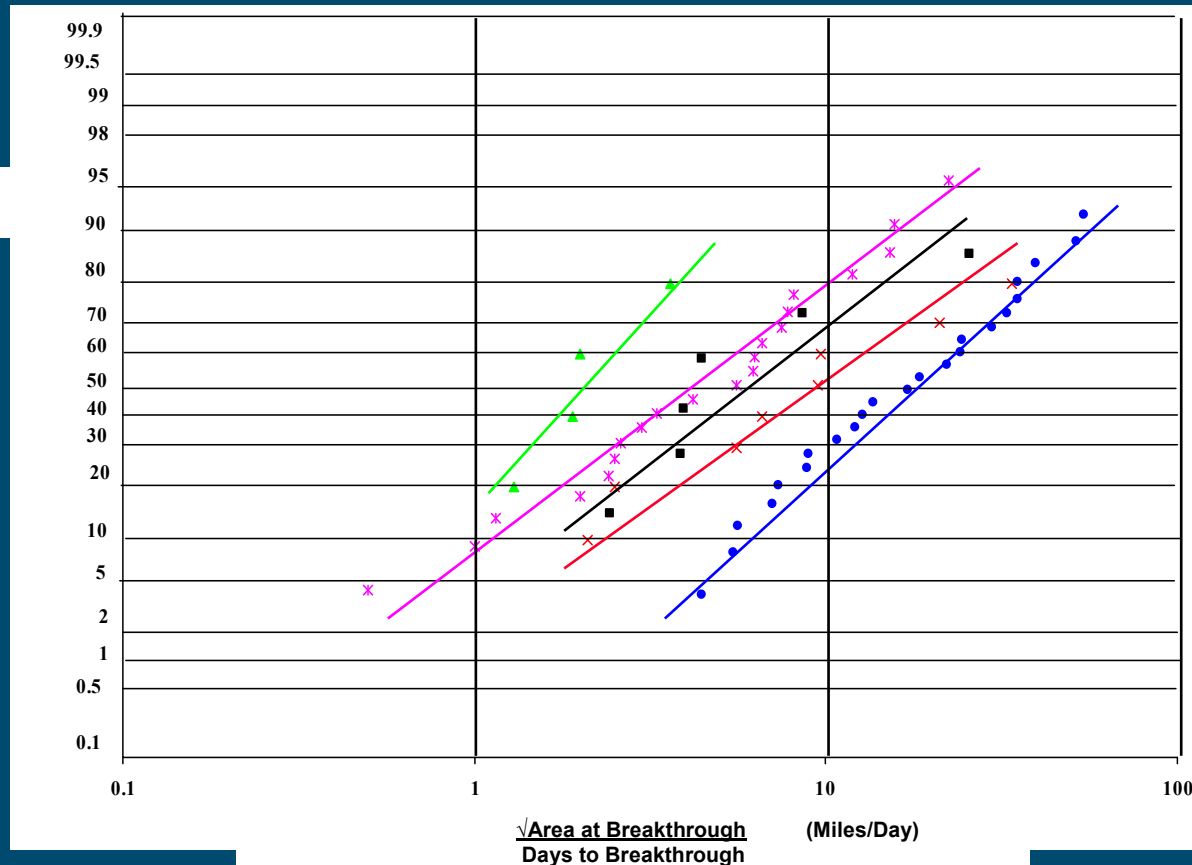
US WW2 data on casualties suffered

2nd Armoured Division data



Irruption as complex process

Fig 2: Cumulative Distributions of $\sqrt{\text{Area}/\text{Duration}}$ at Breakthrough



General Form of a Metamodel -similarity parameter b (e.g Fluid Dynamics)

$$a = f(a_1, \dots, a_k, b_1) = a_1^p \dots a_k^r \Phi \left(\frac{b_1}{a_1^{p_1} \dots a_k^{r_1}} \right)$$

Casualties or Control

Unit effectiveness

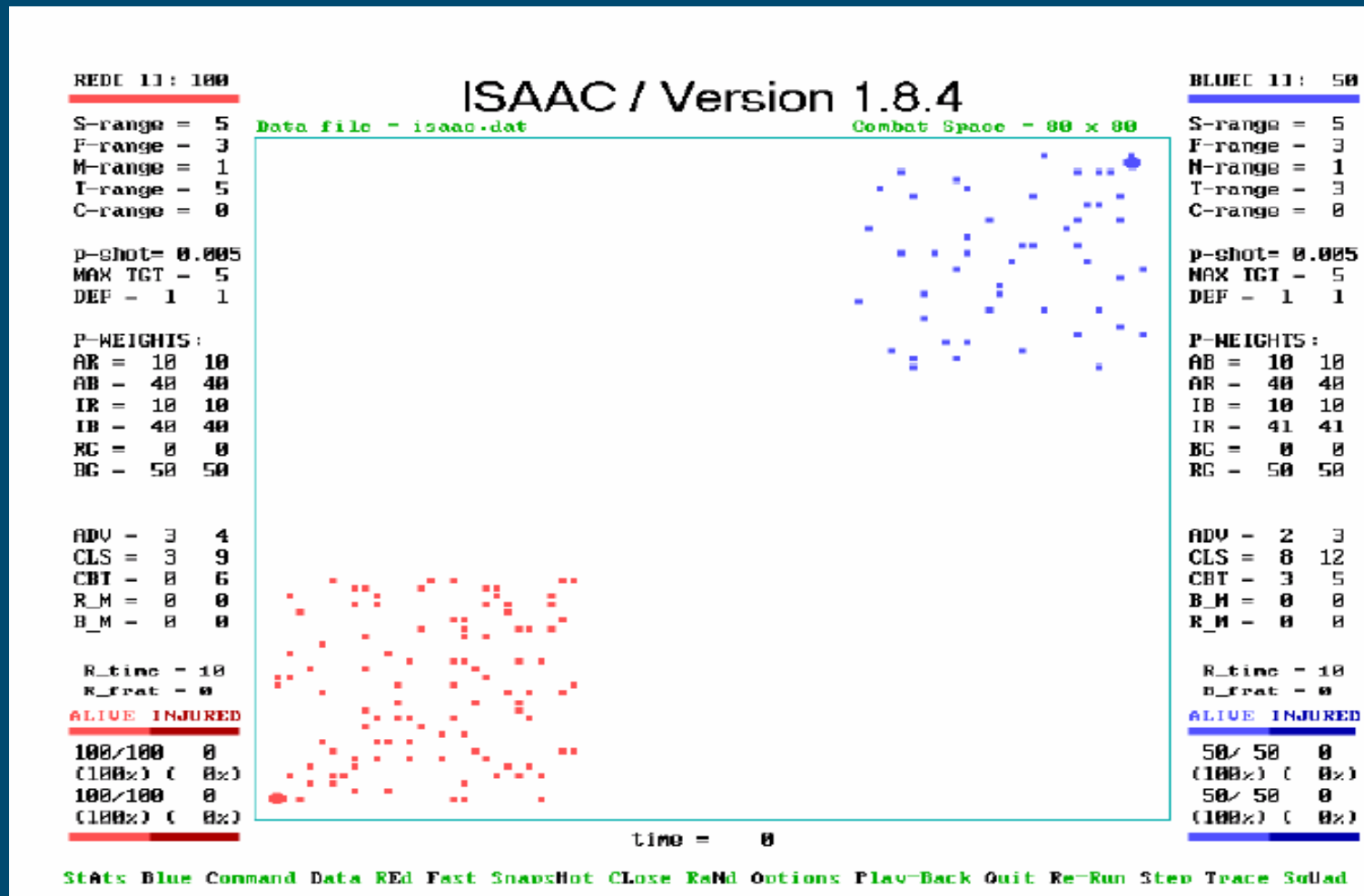
Clustering of forces or effects

Fractal Dimension - 'Similarity'

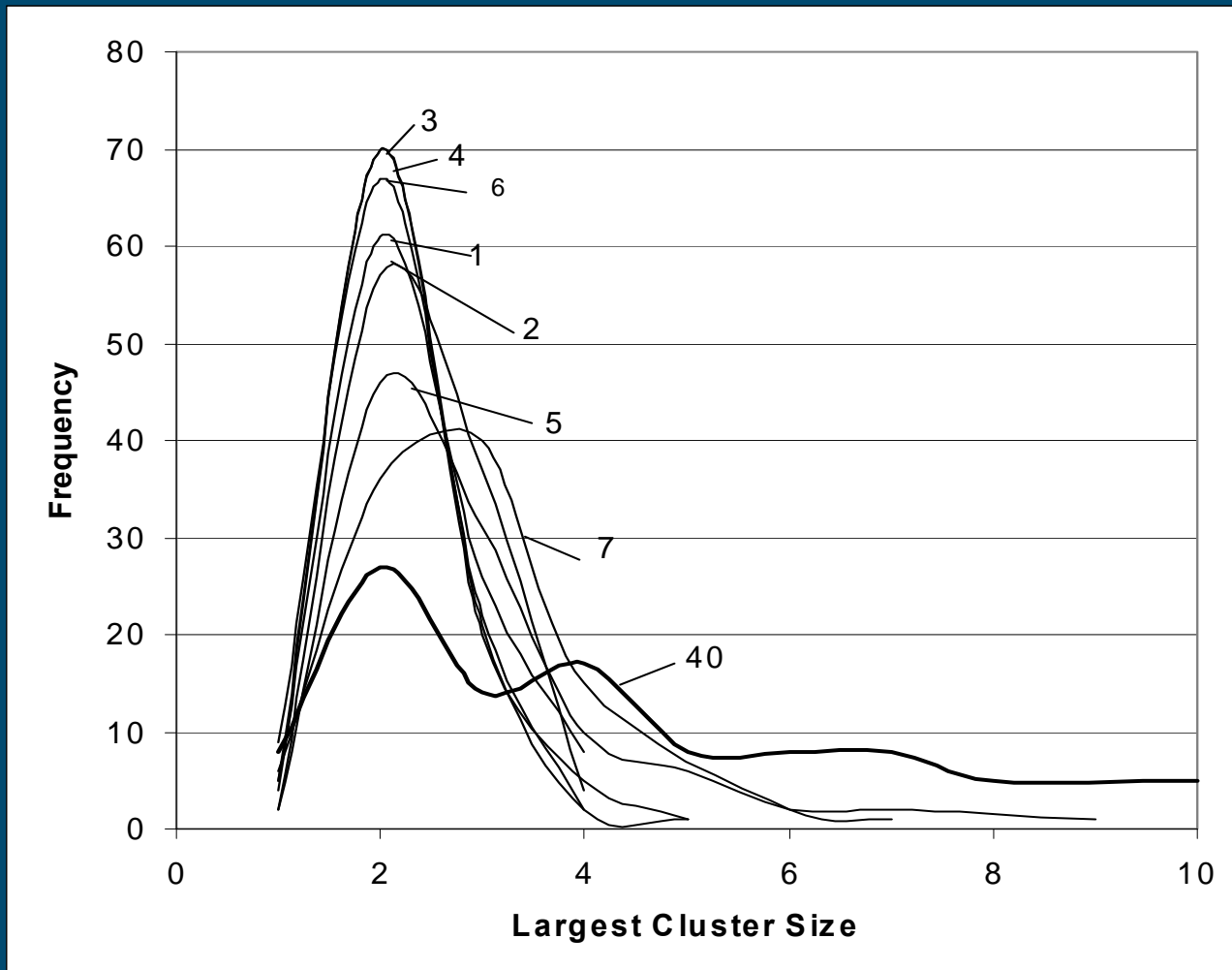
Case (requirement is for Blue to reach 25% casualty level).	Red Fractal Dimension D
'Dispersed'	0.7
'Linear'	1.7
Stochastic Lanchester	2
Recce	0.8
'Dispersed'	0.9
'Dynamic'	1.0
'Fluid'	1.1
'Classic Fronts'	1.7

Table 6.1 ISAAC mean fractal dimensions

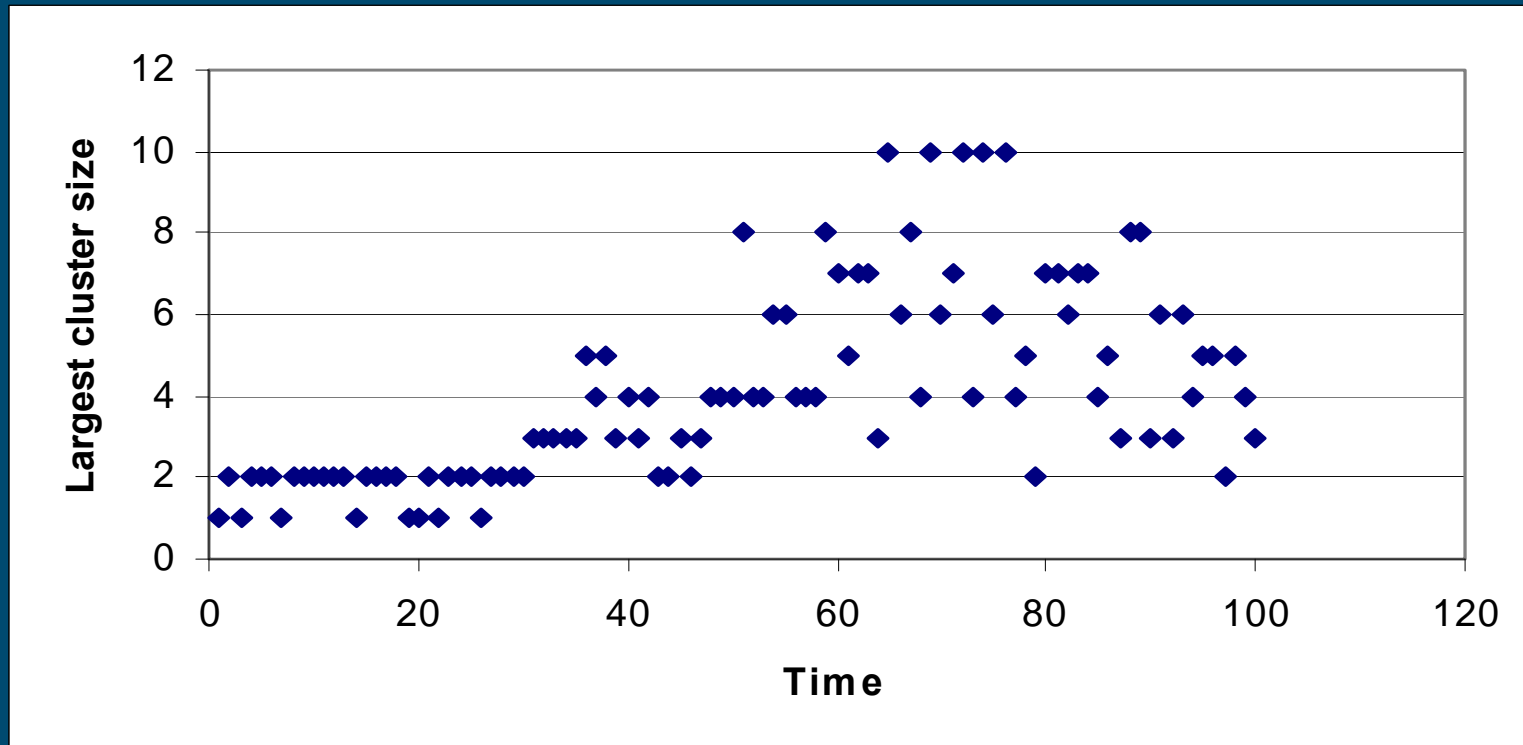
Example of ISAAC start condition



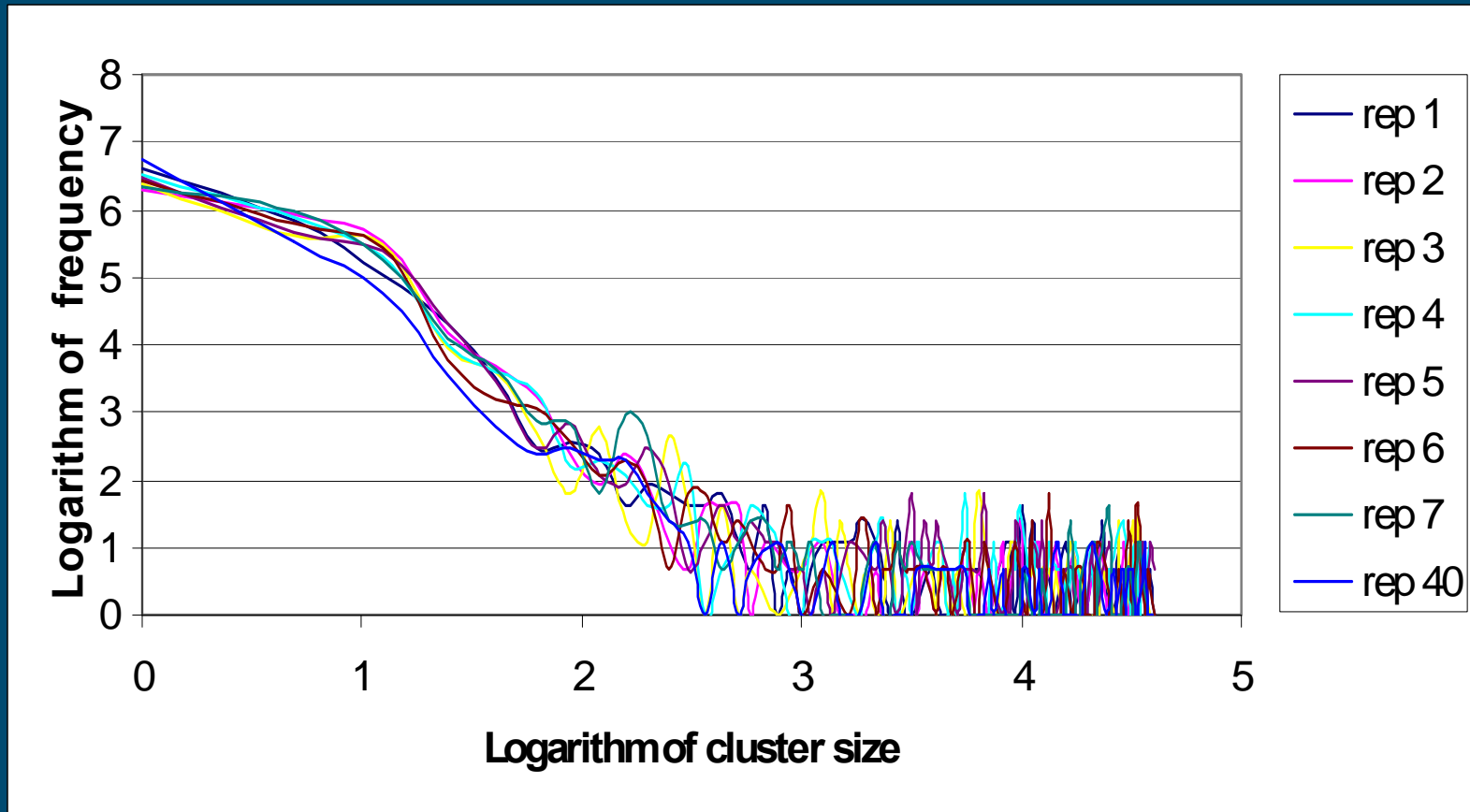
Blue cluster size distribution



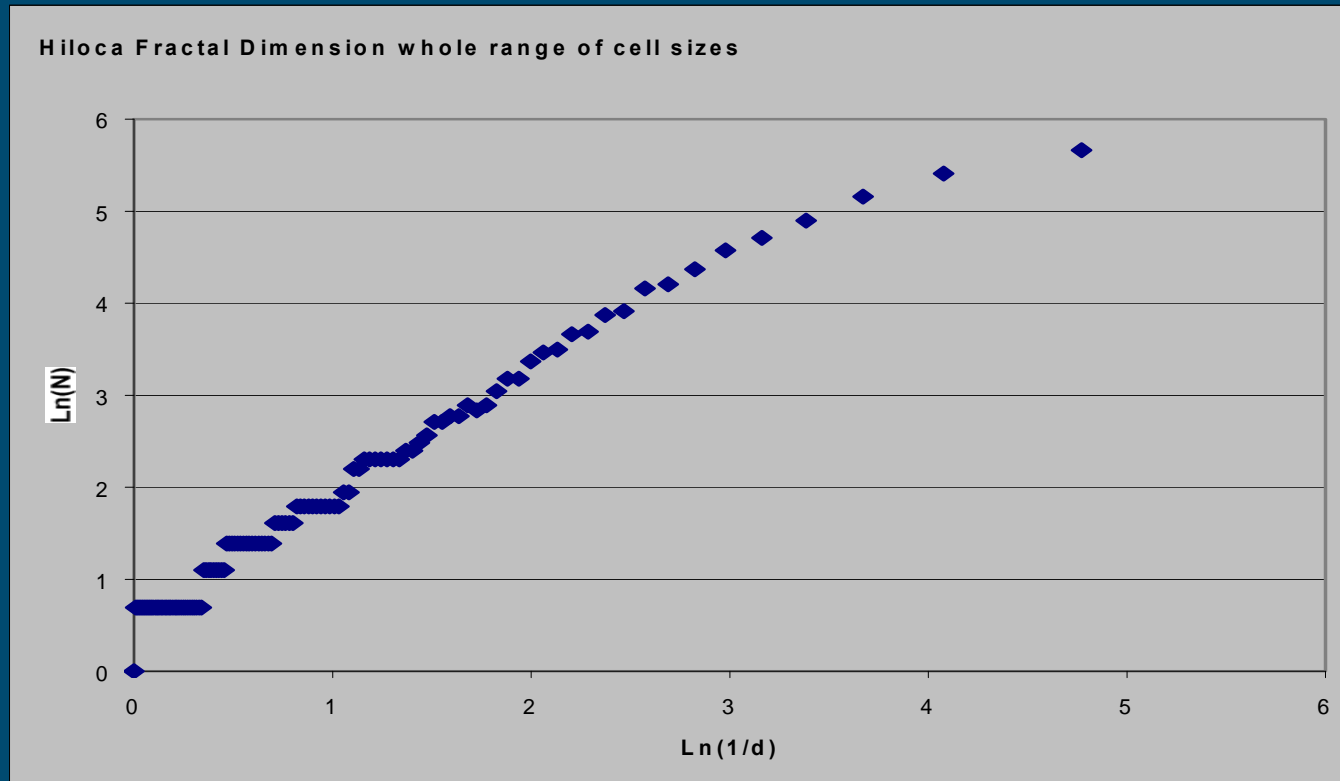
Blue largest cluster size over time



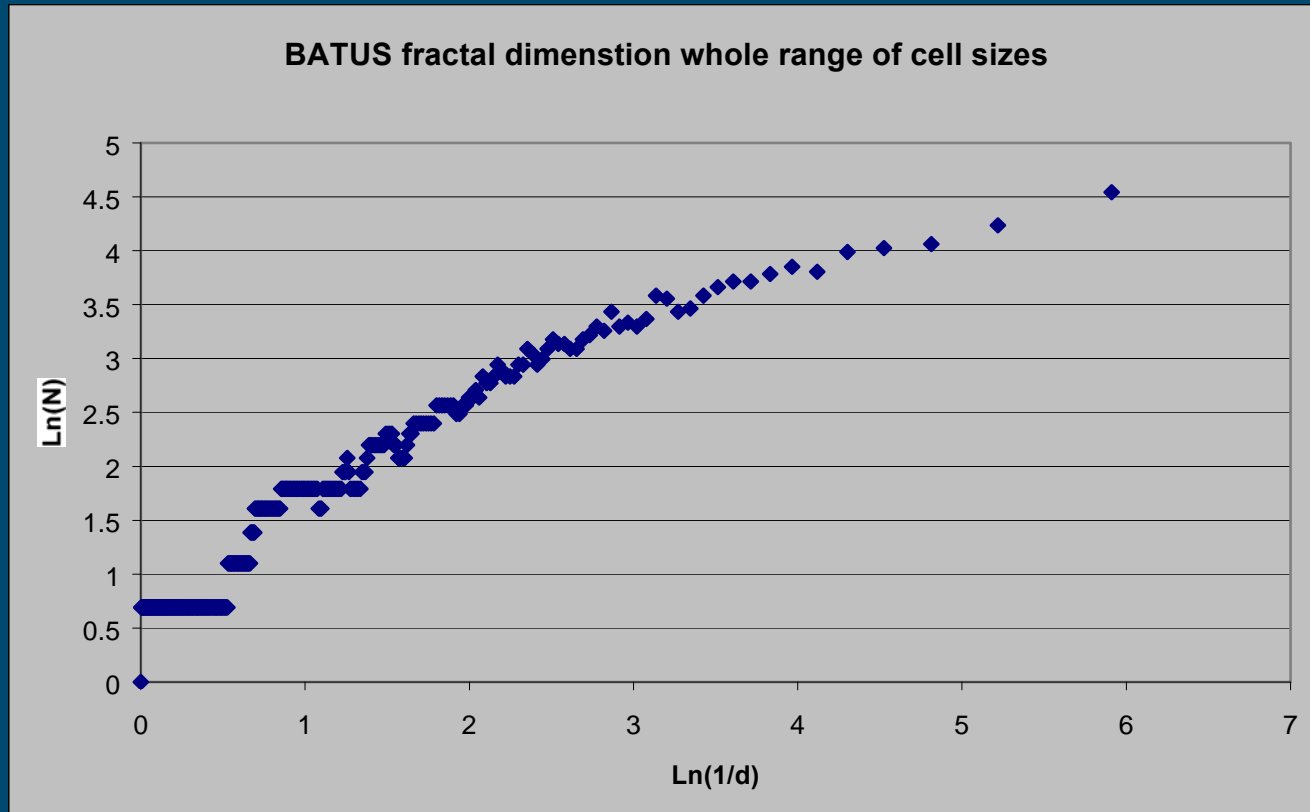
Red distribution of cluster size



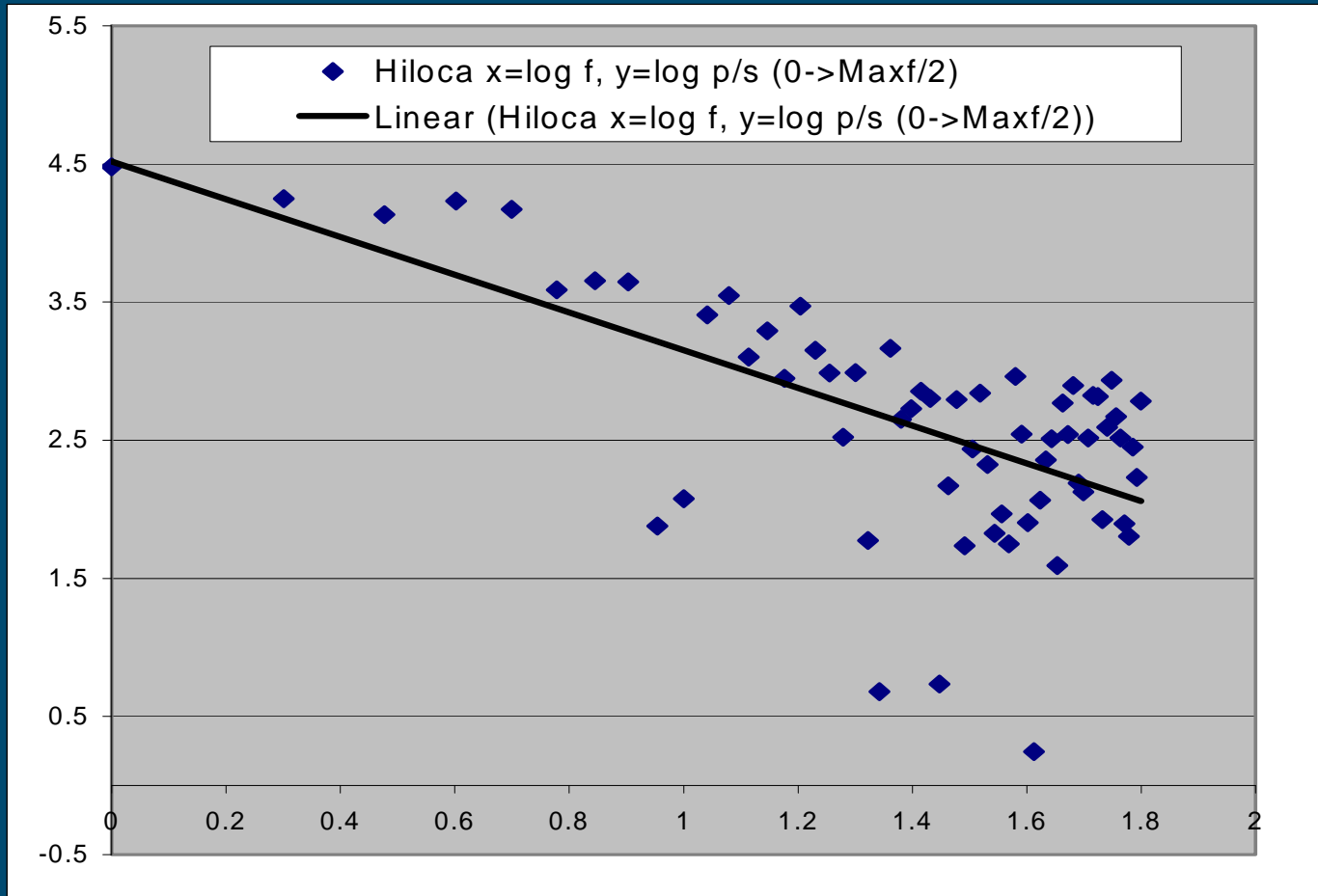
Agent simulation force fractal dimension



BATUS experimental data using GPS locations



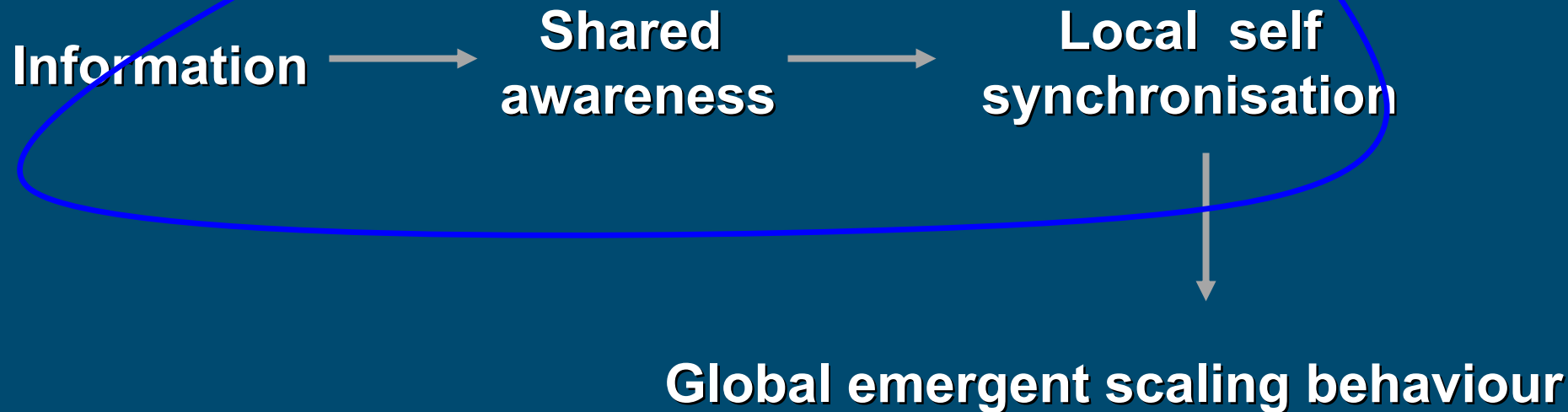
Power spectrum of casualties from agent simulation



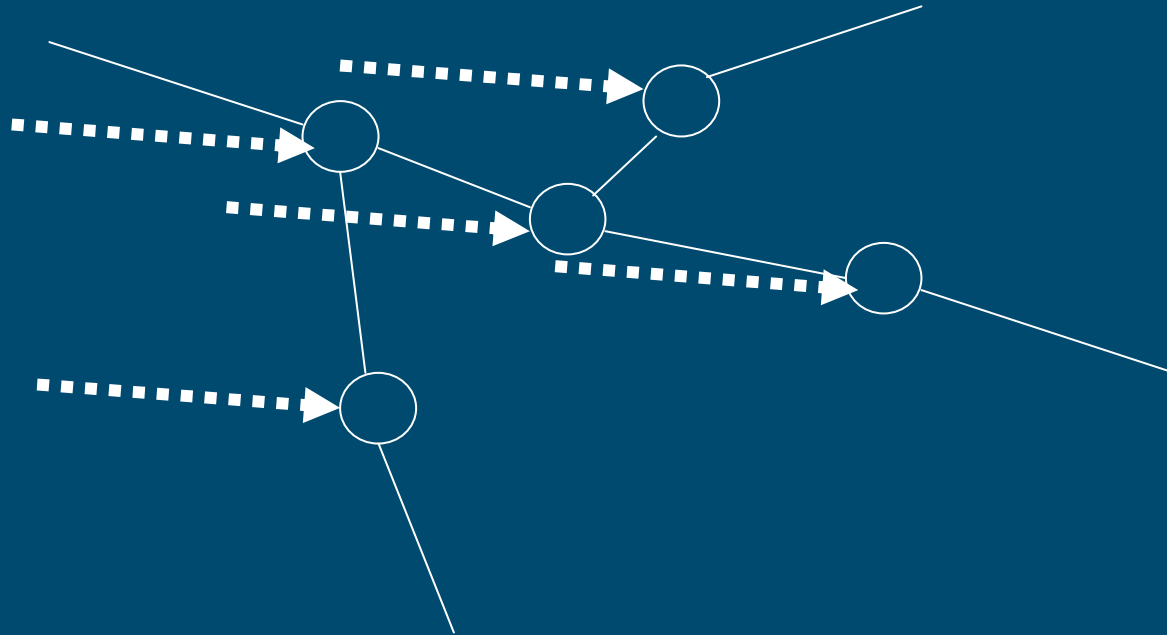
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***Challenge 3 - modelling
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information network***

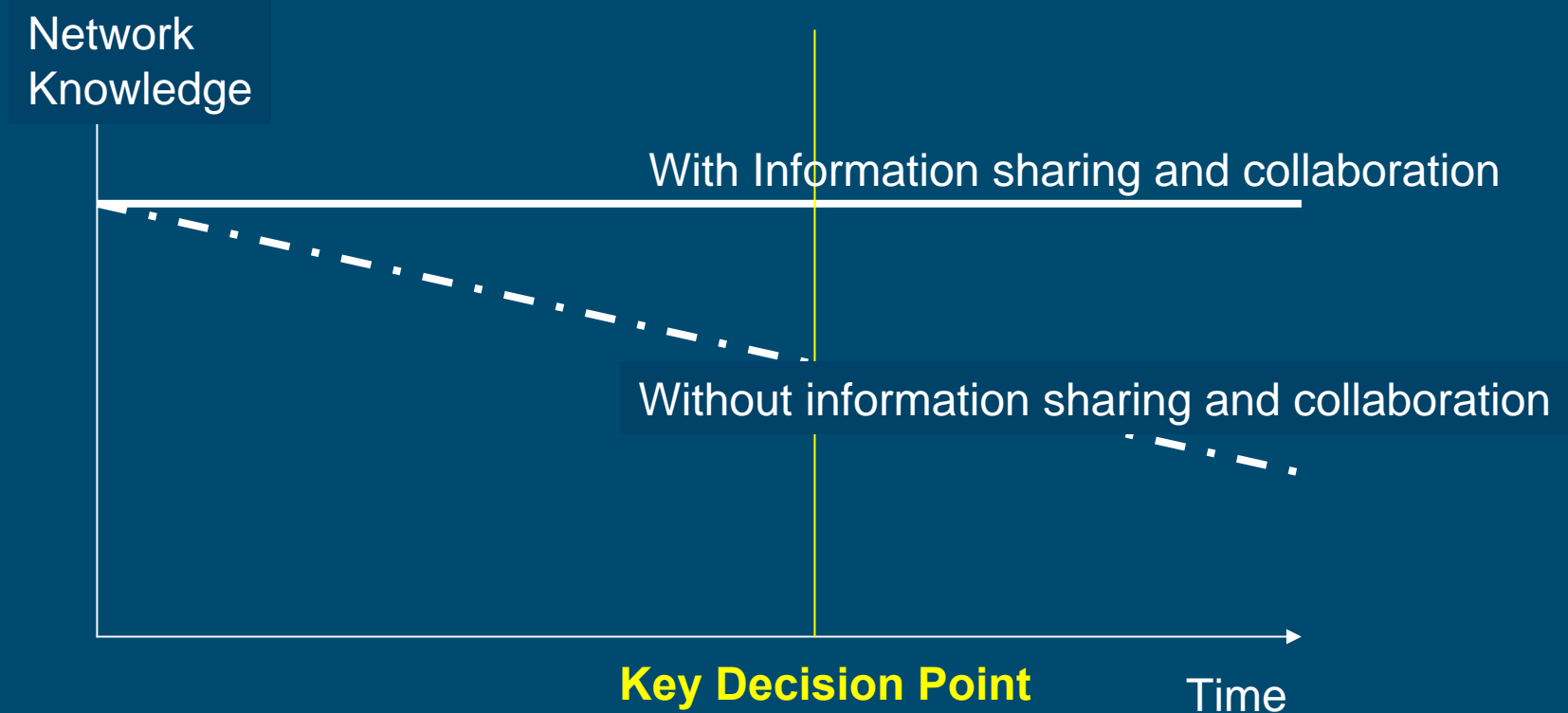
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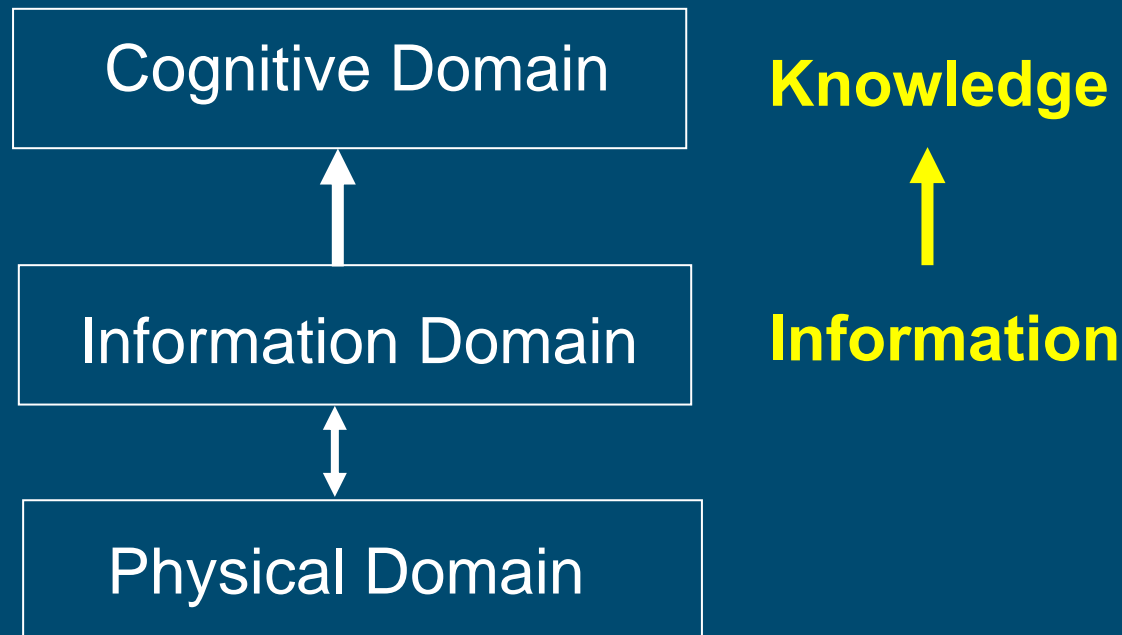
A Network of Decision Making Nodes



Increased Network Knowledge improves rapid planning



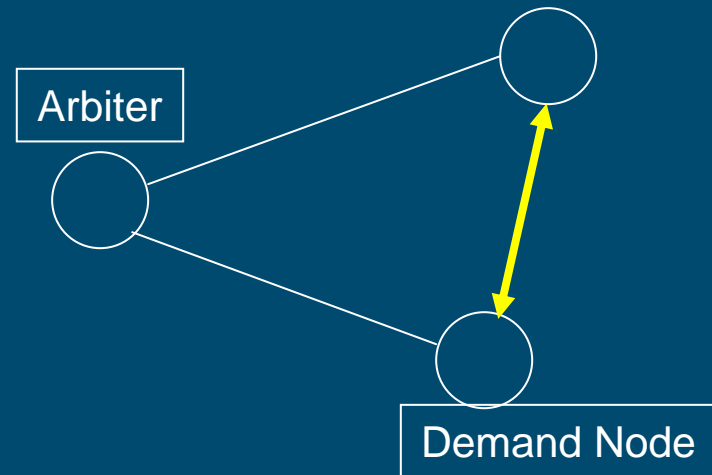
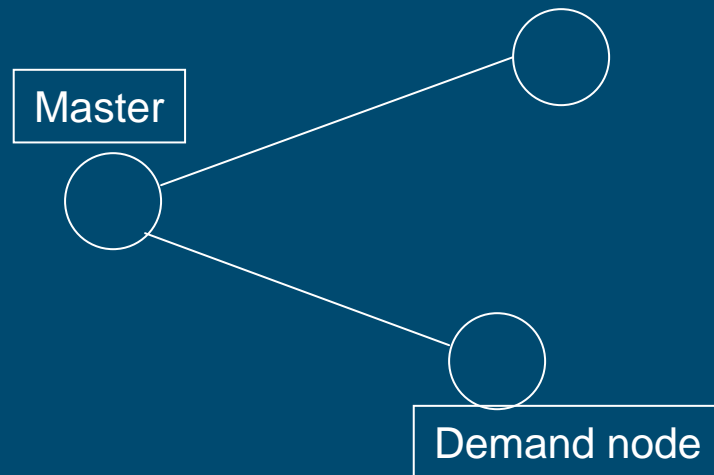
Information Superiority Reference Model



Collaboration Across the Network



Simple Example of Collaboration - Fuel Demand at Two Nodes

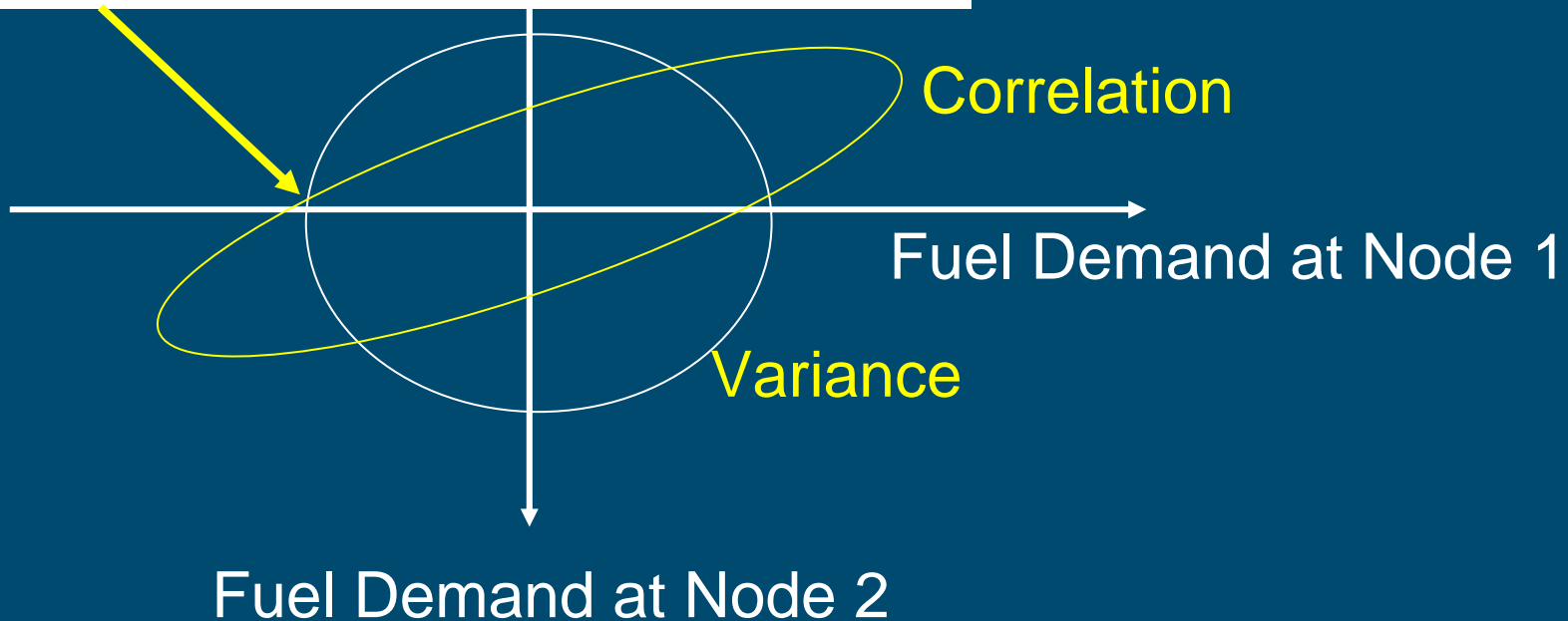


The Benefit of Collaboration

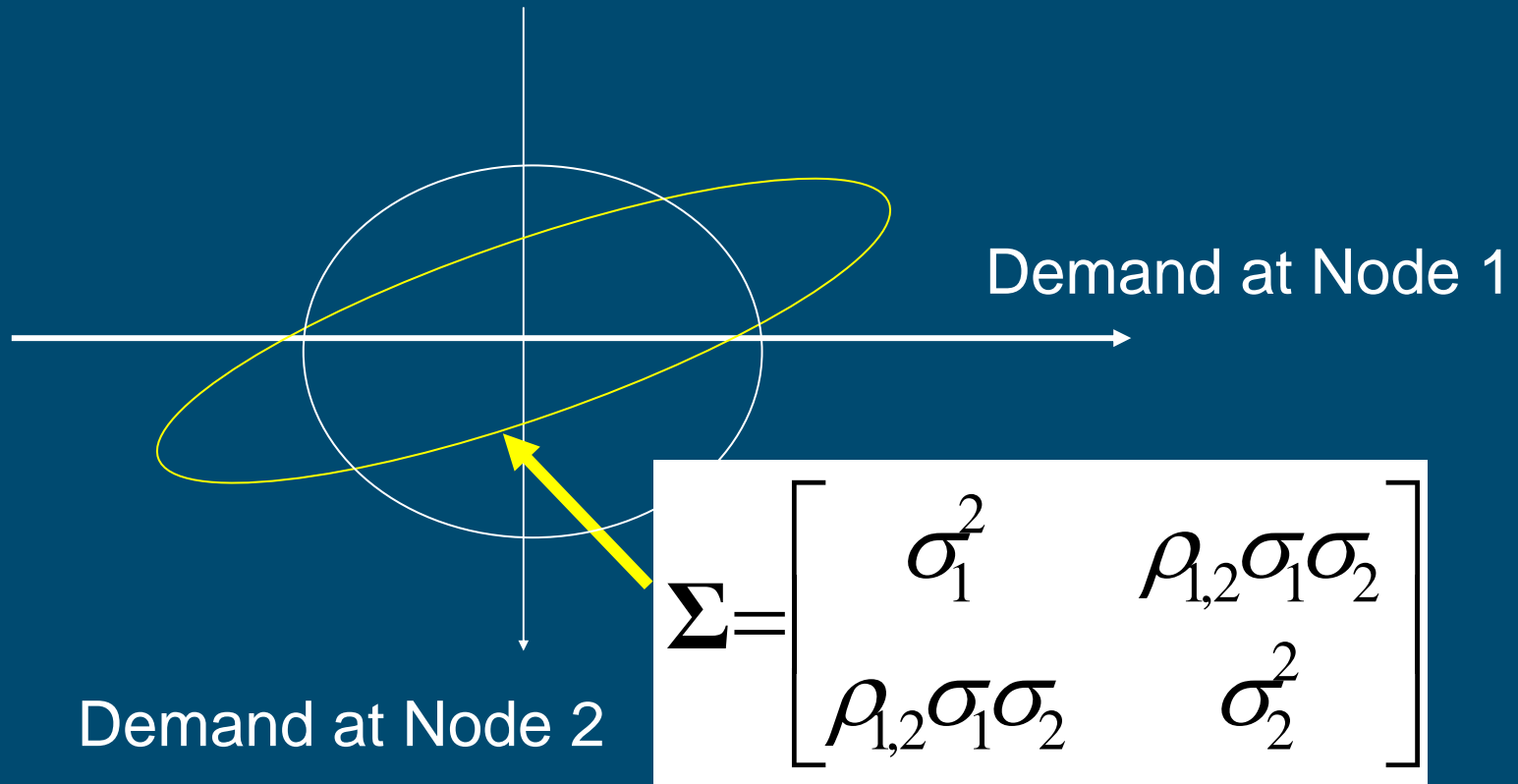
- Precision
 - The ability of a collaborating team to provide estimates that are very close together
 - It affects the estimate's distribution **variance**
- Accuracy
 - The ability of the collaborating team to provide estimates close to ground truth
 - It affects the estimate's distribution **mean**
- Correlation
 - The ability of the collaborating team to understand the way variables relate to each other
 - It affects the estimate's **joint probability distribution**
- All Contribute to Knowledge

The Covariance Matrix Σ

$$f(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^N |\Sigma|}} e^{\left(-0.5[\mathbf{X}-\mu]^T \Sigma^{-1} [\mathbf{X}-\mu]\right)}$$



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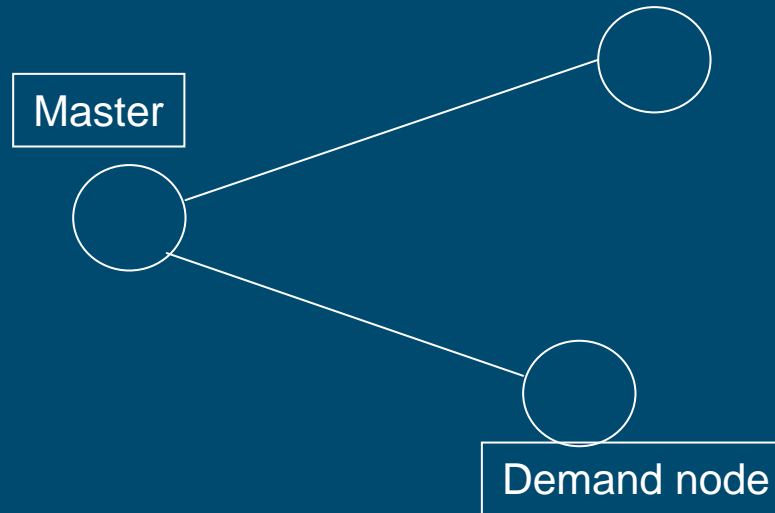
Information Entropy - Normal Distribution

$$H(\mathbf{X}) = E[-\log f(\mathbf{X})] = - \int \int \cdots \int_{x_1 x_2 \cdots x_N} f(\mathbf{X}) \log f(\mathbf{X}) dx_N \cdots dx_2 dx_1.$$

$$H(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{1}{2} \log (2\pi)^N |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}| + \frac{N}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \log \left[(2\pi e)^N |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}| \right]$$

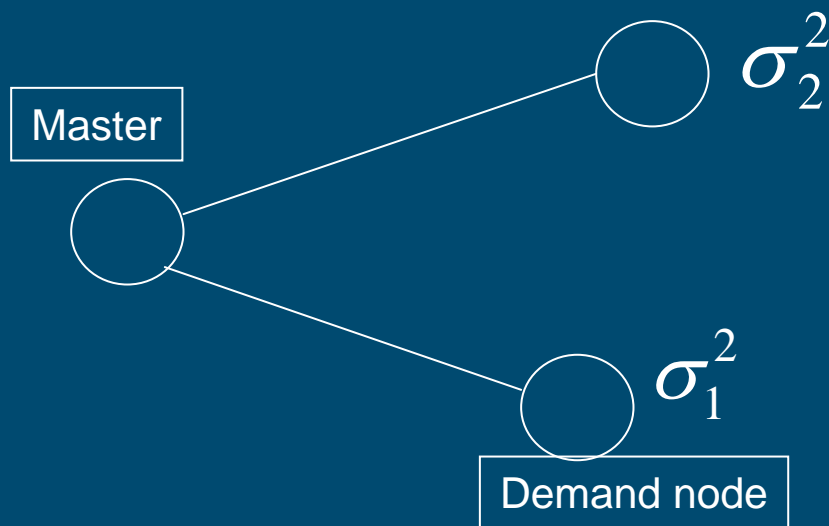
Simple Logistics Example

No Collaboration - No Covariance



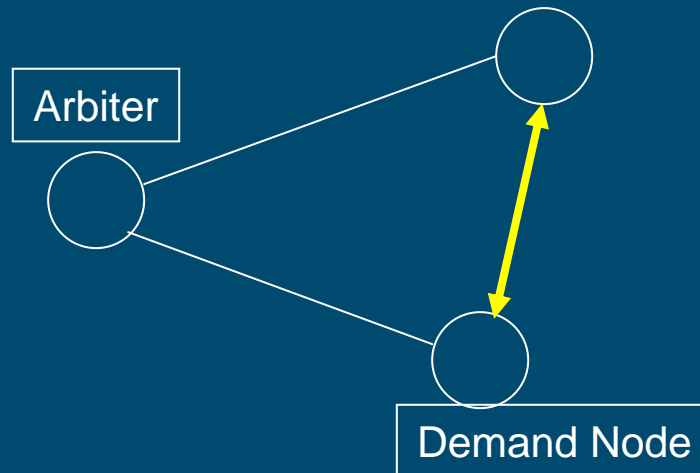
Total Entropy = Entropy at Node 1
+ Entropy at Node 2

Total Information Entropy - No Collaboration



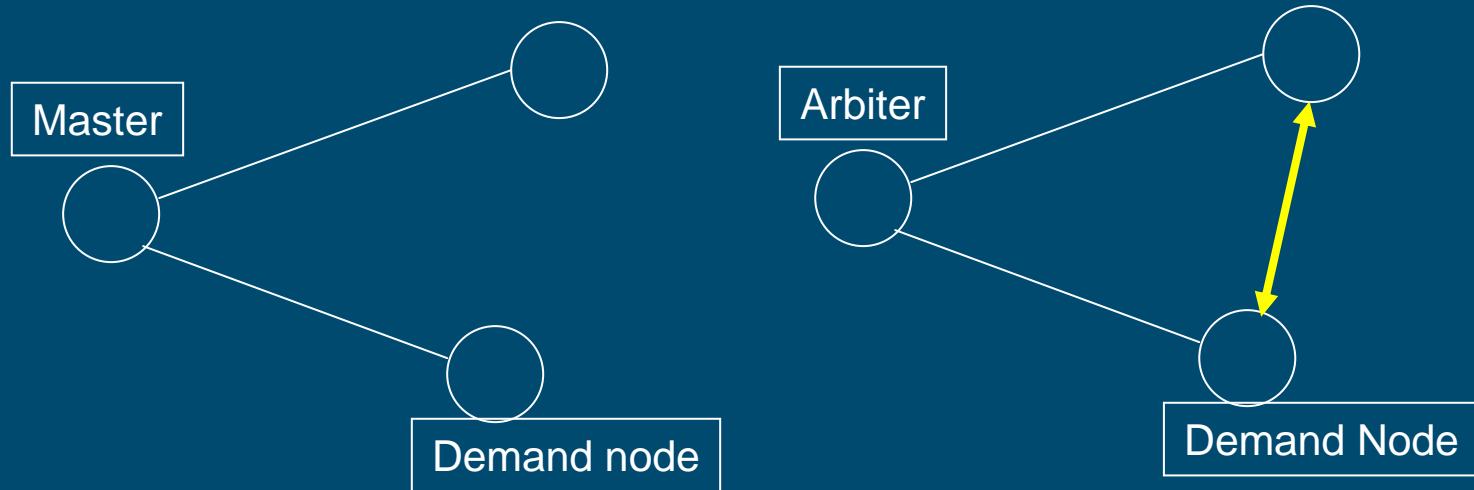
$$\text{Total Entropy} = \text{Log} \begin{vmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{vmatrix} = \text{Log} \sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 = \text{Log} \sigma_1^2 + \text{Log} \sigma_2^2$$

Total Information Entropy - With Collaboration



$$\text{Total Entropy} = \text{Log} \begin{vmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \rho_{1,2}\sigma_1\sigma_2 \\ \rho_{1,2}\sigma_1\sigma_2 & \sigma_2^2 \end{vmatrix} = \text{Log} \sigma_1^2 \sigma_2^2 (1 - \rho_{1,2}^2)$$

Entropy Reduction due to Collaboration



$$\text{Entropy Reduction} = \text{Log}(1 - \rho_{1,2}^2)$$

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